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A
HISTORY
OF THE
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD,
MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR 150 YEARS,

WITH

AN ACCOUNT OF THE PRIOR OCCUPATION OF THE TERRITORY BY THE SQUAKHEAGS:

AND WITH

FAMILY GENEALOGIES.

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PREFACE.

In offering the annals of the ancient town of Northfield to her citizens, and to that class of the public who take an interest in the preservation of the local memorials of New England, it is necessary to state the sources whence the materials here embodied have been obtained.

The field of these researches is to a great extent new ground. No full and connected account has been published of the events which transpired in this part of the Connecticut valley during King Philip's war, nor of the subsequent struggles with the savages up to the close of the war of 1722-26. The histories of the two succeeding French and Indian wars are more full, but are defective in dates, and in details of local skirmishes.

Almost nothing has been known of the antecedent Indian occupation, or of the first attempts made by the whites to gain a foothold here.

The writers of this volume have thus from necessity had to depend mainly on manuscript documents. The sources of information have been: 1. *The Town and Church Records.* The Book of Records kept by the two committees, 1685-90, and 1713-23, is in a good state of preservation. The first volume of Town Records, 1723-1766, is lost. The Church Records, 1718-49, are lost; and all the historical portions of the book kept by Rev. Messrs. Hubbard, Allen and Mason have been purposely cut out and destroyed. The book of births, marriages and deaths, and the later volumes of Town Records are extant. 2. *The County Records*, embracing the County Recorder's Book at Hatfield, and the Court and Probate Records, and the Registry of Deeds of the old county of Hampshire, now preserved at Springfield and Northampton. 3. *The State Archives.* The materials for an account of the Indian occupation; of the settlement of 1673-5; of the details of military and other expeditions, and of colonial plans and politics, have been gathered from the voluminous Letters of the Pynchons, the Stoddards, Partridge, the Willards, Hinsdale, Dwight, Kellogg, Seth Field, and others; from reports of committees; from petitions, muster-rolls, and the General Court Records, severally preserved in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. 4. *The Williams Papers*, in the library of the Massachusetts Historical Society were kindly offered for examination, and have supplied documents not elsewhere found. 5. *Family Papers.* Although most of the valuable collections of old family papers have been sold to the rag-collectors, or have perished by fire and waste, yet the files still preserved by Capt. Henry Alexander, by the descendants of Lieut. Eliezur Wright, of Capt. Calvin Stearns, and Capt. Samuel Merriman; and the account-books of Ebenezer Field, Moses Field, and Jona. Belding, have been of essential service. The collection of town papers left by Capt. Richard Colton; and the abundant stores of information relating to the topography of the north part of the original Northfield territory, collected by A. H. Washburn, Esq., of Vernon, Vt., have contributed to the completeness of our narrative. 6. *Doolittle's Narrative.* This rare tract has been the basis of the account of events detailed in chapter VIII. [*See Appendix.*] 7. *The memories of aged persons*, natives of Northfield, have been freely drawn upon. Francis Lyman, Dea. Phinehas Field, Timothy Field, Mrs. Polly (Dickinson) Holton, Mrs. Lydia (Doolittle) Everett, Mark Woodard, Lewis Taylor, of Hinsdale, N. H., and John Stebbins, of Vernon, Vt., have furnished facts and incidents to explain and illustrate the records, and have given pictures of social life and character, possible to be duplicated from no other source. 8. *Tradition.* All matters of unsupported tradition have been so designated in the text. But oral narrative has a special province, and is important to the historian in confirming and elucidating recorded facts, and suggesting solutions of contradictory reports, and pointing out lines of investigation. Many stories handed down from the fathers are evident exaggerations, with but a grain of truth; some reminiscences of real life have received recent additions, to suit the views of interested parties; while many legends of personal exploit, and privation, and odd experience, treasured as "heir-looms," are controverted by authentic records, and are omitted.

The new material, found in papers not before accessible to the public, has intrinsic value; and it throws a new light on many transactions already known. Parts of things, hitherto wanting, have been supplied. And numerous errors of fact and date, which in various ways had crept into accepted history, have been discovered and corrected.

The territory between Turner's Falls and Brattleboro has been personally explored, for the purpose of fixing upon the authenticated and the doubtful points of historic interest. *To locate an action or event*, is often to get the clew to its real and full meaning; is to discover reasons and results; is to find explanations which the facts themselves fail to furnish. Indian village sites have been examined, and careful study bestowed on all "remains," which could illustrate the ethnology of the resident tribes.

The historical data collected cover the whole of the *old Squakheag country*, embracing the early settlements of what is now Vernon, Vt., Hinsdale and Winchester, N. H., as well as Northfield. And while the greatest labor has been expended on the *early memorials* of the township, its first struggles, and failures, and successes; and exhaustive research has been directed to the wars with the Indians and their allies the French; nothing of a later date has been omitted, which has real value in elucidating the civil, ecclesiastical, educational, and industrial interests of the town. The war records of the American Revolution will be found to be substantially complete. The names of the men called out in 1814, are given; and a full list is inserted, of the enlisted and drafted men sent from Northfield to put down the rebellion of 1861-5.

Official documents and family papers are usually printed in full. Journals, and letters, and muster-rolls, and military orders, often have more than a local value. They help to solve some personal or political mystery, and supply missing links in chains of evidence, the importance of which the discoverer only half comprehends. Abridgment is too often mutilation.

This work is not intended to be an exhaustive account of cotemporaneous events in New England, nor in Massachusetts, nor yet in the old county of Hampshire. Its exact scope is indicated by its title. Mr. Sylvester Judd has published a full, and (with singularly few exceptions) reliable history of old Hadley, covering the territory originally held by the Norwottocks; and Mr. George Sheldon is collecting materials for a history of the Pacomptocks and the Deerfield settlement.

As a frontier town till some years after the close of Father Ralle's war, Northfield was a strategic point of great importance; and though covered, after 1724, by Fort Dummer, was, till the peace of 1763, the scene of surprises, and bloody conflicts. Around it centered a series of events whose bearing and consequences have not been well understood.

It is the hope of the authors that these pages furnish sufficient facts to enable the careful student to understand how civilized life here came in contact with and finally displaced savage life; how and why, after two unsuccessful attempts, the whites held permanent possession of the place; and then pushed on up the Connecticut valley. For Northfield was the entrance gate to the settlements as high up as Charlestown, N. H. If heroes and heroines now and then appear on the stage, it is because the times and circumstances, and their own characters, made them such.

In the preparation of the Family Genealogies, besides the sources already named, family bibles, family registers, and inscriptions on grave-stones have been copied. And where irreconcilable contradictions occur in the records, a solution has been sought by reference to the specifications on enlistment rolls, guardianship papers, wills, deeds, and authentic collateral facts. The result of exhaustive research has often led to conclusions at variance with family tradition, and with published genealogies. But no dates and lines of descent have been adopted, without what appeared to be reliable evidence of accuracy.

To the custodians of the records in the public offices of what was the old county of Hampshire; to the clerks of the several towns where researches were made; to the many kind friends in Northfield, and the descendants of her scattered families; as well as to their fellow-toilers in the field of historical investigation, who have aided and encouraged them in this undertaking; especially to Miss Mary T. Stratton, whose assistance in copying papers and gathering information has been indefatigable — the authors hereby tender grateful thanks.

Josiah Howard Temple

George Sheldon

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS.

Page 8, 13th line from bottom, for *saw*, read *grist*; same line, after by, insert *Aaron Morgan*; and add, *Lyman Gilbert, Sen., built the saw-mill now standing*. In the line below, erase *half a mile*, and insert *two miles*.

Page 10, 4th and 5th lines from bottom, erase *4th of July*, and insert *last of August*.

Page 22, 3d line from bottom, after by, insert *Capt. Elisha Hunt, whose heirs sold to*.

Page 126, middle of page, for *July* 14, read *July* 15.

Page 179, 7th line, after by, insert *the son of*.

Page 234, 4th line, for *Daniel* read *David*.

Page 241, 17th line from bottom, for *Thomas* read *Robert*.

Page 283, 5th line from bottom, erase '55, and insert '68.

Page 319, 3d column, 6th line, for *Eleazer* read *Ebenezer*.

Page 358, 10th line, for *Ebenr*. read *Eber*.

The names of the minute men, given on pp. 323–4, were copied from the original roll, found among the *Wright Papers*, an attested copy of which, sworn to by Capt. Wright, is in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

EXPLANATIONS.

Abbreviations.—b. for born; bro. for brother; d. for died; k. for killed; m. for married; and other well known contractions are used. As also Conc. for Concord; Dfd. for Deerfield; Enfd. for Enfield; Fram. for Framingham; Had. for Hadley; Hfd. for Hatfield; Nfd. for Northfield; Nhn. for Northampton; Spg. for Springfield; Sud. for Sudbury; Suff. for Suffield; Wfd. for Westfield; Wind. for Windsor; Worc. for Worcester.

Old and New Style.—All dates, prior to 1752, are understood to be in conformity with old style, then in use.

Double Dating.—The custom which prevailed in former times, of double-dating events which transpired between January 1, and March 25, has been retained in some instances; but usually the true date is given; *i. e.*, the year is considered as beginning January 1.

HISTORY OF NORTHFIELD.

INTRODUCTORY CHAPTER.

Boundaries — Natural Features of the Territory — Names and Description of Mountains, Brooks, Meadows, Plains, and other Objects of Special Interest.

IN the absence of a map of the town, a brief account of the topography of Northfield is inserted in this place, to save the frequent use of foot-notes and explanations. This outline covers the original township, as granted by the General court in 1672, and the additional grant of 1685. The design is to give the name and relative position of all the more prominent natural features of the territory, so that the points and bounds mentioned in Indian deeds and early records, and in the first English allotments and subsequent transfers, may be readily understood. In some cases, localities that have a special historic interest are described in full — anticipating in part the course of the narrative. The Indian names, when known, and the names first affixed to a place, or object, by the whites, are scrupulously preserved, and are commonly adopted as the proper designation. Modern changes are indicated, in order that younger as well as older readers may have no difficulty in understanding the references in the body of the work.

The Indian name of the territory comprised in the original grants to the Northfield settlers was, according to Gookin, *Suckquakege;* according to Elder William Janes, *Wissquawquegue.* The two modes of spelling evidently represent the same word, either as pronounced by two different chiefs, or as the two hearers estimated the peculiar power of letters to represent vocal sounds.

Of course the only way by which the whites got the Indian name-words, was by the ear. And the formation of their syllabic sounds in the larynx, with the lips but slightly open, rendered the talk of the red men specially obscure. And this obscurity was increased by the fact that our people were ignorant of the etymology, and to a great extent of the meaning of native terms. The result was, great diversity and some confusion in writing Indian geographical names. No two writers of that early time spell these words alike: and it is sometimes almost impossible, in the varieties of orthography, to recognize the identity of a name.

The name of our town is spelled in deeds and official documents, no less than nine different ways. Had the scribes of that day comprehended the historic importance of these aboriginal words, they would have been at more pains to get the exact native enunciation, and would have adopted some uniform method of spelling the English substitute.

The term *Suckquakege*, however, was not applied by the natives to the country at large, but to the fishing-places near Cooper's Point, and so to the village or clusters of wigwams in that immediate neighborhood. Their lower village, situated at the southerly end of the present Northfield street, was known as *Squenatock*, or *Quanatock*, so called from the falls on Miller's brook, around which they lived.

The English name *Northfield* was chosen only because the plantation was then the northernmost settlement on the Connecticut river.

The territory purchased of the Indians was about eight miles in extent north and south, by twelve miles in width, six miles on each side of the river. But this purchase was not coincident with the present town bounds. No deed from the Indian owners of lands south of *Squenatock* has been discovered; and it is believed that no warranted rights were acquired in the tract south of this point by the whites.

The town, as granted by the General court in 1672, was eight miles long by four and a half miles wide, extending three-fourths of a mile from the river west, and three and three-fourths miles east. The north and south bounds ran E. 7° 30′ N.; the east and west bounds ran N. 1° 30′ W. The outlines, however, were not regular. At the lower end, the bound on the west side of the river was a line running westerly from the mouth of Bennett's brook; on the east side of the river the bound was a line running easterly from "the lower end of the Three Little Meadows," and so over the highest point of Beers's mountain. On the north, the bound west of the river was Broad brook; east of the river it was Ash-swamp brook. Thus the west side territory extended about a mile further north than that on the east side. These lines remained unaltered during the First Settlement. During the Second Settlement, i. e., in 1685, on petition of the Committee, the General court added a large tract of land to the south end on the east side of the river, carrying the line down to the mouth of Four-mile brook. And subsequently a small addition was made to the south end on the west side of the river, carrying the line down to the north bound of old Deerfield; so that the area of the town, after these additions, was 31,296 acres.

At the date of these grants, the province of Massachusetts was supposed or claimed to extend at least forty miles higher up the river than at present; and actual jurisdiction was exercised as far as the north line of Charlestown, N. H. When the new province line, corresponding to the present state line, was established, by order of the king in council, in 1740, Northfield lost about four and one-half miles in width of the northerly part of her chartered territory — embracing considerable parts of the present towns of Winchester and Hinsdale in New Hampshire, and Vernon in Vermont.

In more modern times, a tract of 500 acres, known as the Pembroke grant, lying below the mouth of Four-mile brook, has been annexed to the town; and a portion of the west side addition has been set off to Gill. The present area of the town, including the river, is about 19,750 acres.

The town of Northfield is bounded on the east by Warwick, on the south by Erving, on the south-west by Gill, on the west by Bernardston, on the north by the state line which separates it from Vernon, Hinsdale and Winchester.

Streams.—The *Connecticut River* is the prominent natural feature of the town, and constitutes the base line of all topographical description. The Indian name was *Quinneh-tuk*, the long river with waves, *quinneh*, long, *tuk*, water having tidal or wind-raised waves. Our name *Quinneh-tuk-ut*, or Connecticut, is the word the natives applied to the land bordering on the stream, and not to the stream itself. In the earliest local records it is commonly called *the river*, and *the Great river*. Its course here is mainly due south, except at the Great bend, where it nearly doubles upon itself. The average width between bank and bank is forty rods. The fall is slight, and the current sluggish, as is uniformly the case where the alluvial deposits form broad meadows. From the foot of Clary's island, there is a stretch of swift water, extending above Brattleboro'. In this distance of about seven miles the fall is thirteen feet. But as a whole, when viewed from the high banks or from the more distant mountains, the impression is that of repose and richness rather than of power, giving assurance of abundant crops, rather than threatening possible devastation.

This river rises in the highlands on the northern border of New Hampshire, in latitude 45° 15′, and following a southerly course, separates the states of New Hampshire and Vermont, crosses Massachusetts in its western part, crosses Connecticut in its central part, and enters Long Island sound in latitude 41° 16′. The tide flows up to the foot of Enfield falls, a distance of 63 miles. The entire length, including windings, is near 400 miles.

Its course in our town is about 8½ miles. From the state line to the north line of Gill, it divides the town into two unequal parts; thence south it forms the easterly bound of Gill, the whole bed of the stream adjacent belonging to Northfield.

Ashuelot River. This is the next considerable stream in old Northfield. Its general course here is west by south. The name was originally written *Nashue lot*. The Indian word *nashue*, signifies, in the midst, and was applied by them to a point or angular piece of land lying between two branches of a stream or other water; *ut* means *at*. The application of the term here is plain. The natives called the triangular peninsula formed by the bend of the Connecticut, and touched on the east by the smaller stream, *nashue-ut*; and the settlers, without inquiring into the special meaning of the word, made it the name of the smaller stream. By omitting the initial *n*, and with the introduction of *l* before the termination, it makes a most musical appellation. The regret is that our fathers did not retain more of those apt and significant Indian names.

There are rapids on this stream at the present village of Hinsdale; but they were not improved while the territory was included in Northfield.

The other streams entering the Connecticut from the east are:

Ash-swamp Brook, which was the original northern bound of the plantation; and on which were built in later times, Hinsdell's fort, and Hinsdell's mill.

Shattuck's Brook is a half-mile south of the old Northfield line. Daniel Shattuck built a fort on this stream previous to 1740.

Merry's-meadow Brook is a little north of the site of the old Hinsdale meeting-house, at the lower end of Merry's meadow. It marks the

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south line of the 500 acres granted in 1732 to Governor Jonathan Belcher.

Cold Brook runs into the Ashuelot a little above its mouth. It rises from a spring in the meadow hill, but is permanent. Thomas Taylor built a house in the meadow, a few rods north of this brook, immediately after the close of the French and Indian war of 1744-48.

Triangle Brook rises in Winchester, flows westerly into Doolittle's meadow. It enters the old channel of the Connecticut, which it follows to the lower end of the meadow.

The brooks above named are north of the present state line, and consequently not now within the town limits.

Pauchaug Brook rises to the east of Staddle hill in Winchester. Its general course is south-westerly, and it empties into the Connecticut at the southerly end of Pauchaug meadow. It has several mill-sites. Aaron Burt built a grist-mill on the lower falls, as early as 1765. Thomas Page owned it afterwards, and built a saw-mill just above, when he leased the grist-mill to his son Lewis. It was afterwards owned by David Twitchell.[1] "David Twitchell's upper mill pond, near Winchester line," is named in the records.

Stephen Belding built a saw-mill still higher up the brook, near his house in Winchester. This was afterwards owned by William Stebbins. Above are Brown's saw-mill, John Brown's wagon-shop, Putnam's saw-mill, and Combs's saw-mill.

Cranberry Brook, mentioned in early deeds, runs on the easterly side of Log plain, and empties into Pauchaug brook.

Second Brook rises northerly of Notch mountain, and after a westerly course unites with Pauchaug brook near its mouth. On a little branch of this stream, Captain Seth Lyman put in a dam, about 1790, not far from his dwelling house, where he set up a water-power spinning wheel. One of his daughters-in-law became so adept in its use that she could spin two threads at once, one with each hand.

Mill Brook.—This marked the north end of the town plot, as it was called, during the First and Second Settlements. The gorge through which it descends the meadow hill is one of the most romantic spots in town. The right branch of this stream rises west of Mount

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[1] In a deed, dated November 7, 1792, Benoni Dickinson transfers to Ezekiel Webster, 6 acres and 152 rods of land lying "a little below a grist mill formerly known as Burt's mill, on Pauchauge brook, below the lower falls in s^{d} brook, with a mill and dam and stream and privilege of flowing, as has been heretofore."

Grace in Warwick, with a feeder coming down between Round mountain and Little-hemlock mountain; the left branch drains the Great-swamp lots. A grist-mill was erected on the falls of this brook in 1685, at which date it received its name, it being the common custom to call that *Mill* brook, on which *the first* mill in town was built.

The name given to this stream in the Indian deeds, was *Cowas* and *Coassock*. The Indian word *kowa* means, a pine, plural, *koash*; *ohke* or *ock* signifies, place; *koash-ock* would then mean, the pine-trees' place. Probably the natives applied the term to the ravine where the mill-sites are, which then had a large growth of pines and hemlocks. This point was the dividing line between the lands of Massemet on the south, and Nawelet on the north.

John Clary Jr. built a grist-mill on the privilege next the street, in 1685. The dam was just above the one now standing. In 1716, this privilege was purchased by Stephen Belding, who rebuilt the grist-mill, which was held by himself and sons till 1779, when it was sold to Aaron Whitney, and subsequently came into possession of John Barrett, Esq. It was bought by Ezekiel Webster, who put in a forge, with trip-hammer, etc. In 1717, Jonathan Belding, a brother of Stephen, built a saw-mill below, of which Stephen was one-half owner. April 10, 1728, Stephen Belding sells to his brother Jonathan "one-half of a saw-mill now standing on the Mill brook a little below the grist-mill on the falls of said brook and all that pertains thereto, as also the whole privilege of the stream at that place, so that it be not prejudicial to the grist-mill above: it being understood that this sale includes only that side of the brook on which the saw-mill now stands." This mill was operated by Jonathan Belding, senior, and junior, during their lives — as Mr. Francis Lyman states it, "as long as the old man was able to hoist the gate." Sept. 9, 1812, he sold the site and privilege to Ezekiel Webster, for $200.

A grist-mill was put in below the saw-mill, about 1782, by Aaron Whitney. This was rebuilt by John Barrett, Esq., who sold it August 9, 1802, for $500, to Ezekiel Webster.

As early as 1775, Stephen Belding set up a clothier's shop, with carding and fulling machinery, between the grist and saw-mills, which was sold with the other privileges to Aaron Whitney, and eventually became the property of Simeon Boyden. In 1804 Boyden sold out to Josiah Fisher, and removed to Orange, where he built, that year, the first carding-mill. Fisher sold, June 15, 1814, to Capt. James White.

Up stream, Gurdon Strobridge had grist and saw mills — now owned by George Bacon; and still above was a pail factory, afterwards a saw-mill, owned by Murdock and Johnson, now John Barrett. A half mile above, Hezekiah Mattoon built a saw-mill — now a batting manufactory.

Miller's Brook — south of the original town plot — has two principal heads, one between Stratton mountain and the Bald hills, the other in the gulf east of Brush mountain. It drains the Dry swamp, and enters the Connecticut towards the lower end of Great meadow. The name Miller's brook, as applied to this stream, is found in the records as early as 1686, showing the falsity of the tradition that it was called after Benjamin Miller, who built a house on its banks in 1732. It may have been named for William Miller, who was a prominent inhabitant in the First and Second Settlements. In the Indian deed this brook is called *Squenatock* and *Quanatock*; and it was the south boundary of the land sold to the whites by Massemet. The term *Squenatock* appears to mean, the pouring-out place, and was applied by the natives to the falls, where the water pours over and down the rocks. Remove the dam, and the Indian word *can be seen*, just as the red man saw it centuries ago.

The privilege at the falls on this brook, south of the town street, was granted May 18, 1685, "to W^m Clarke Jun., John Woodward, Richard Lyman and any other that shall join them, with liberty to build a saw-mill; and we have granted them the stream to improve their mill, and so much land as they need to pond on, and to improve their mill, and 20 acres of land near the mill for pasturing or any other use what they see meet and liberty of the Commons for timber what they need: this 20 acres is granted to them and their heirs forever, to be taken up where the partners shall judge most convenient." The saw-mill appears to have been built the next year.

In the Third Settlement, mills were erected here by Ensign Zechariah Field about 1730, and held by his heirs for many years. But the place is better known as the Deacon Janes's grist-mill. All the early mills stood on the north bank. A wagon-shop now stands on the south bank.

Before 1800, a mill for expressing castor and linseed oils was built on this stream, by Zechariah Field (son of Paul), just east of the home-lots. A little way below, a trip-hammer and scythe factory was afterwards put in by Richard Watriss. A little way above, in 1815, Jabez Parsons and Jabez Whiting built in partnership, a bark-mill, which was afterwards occupied by A. C. Parsons. Farther up, at the foot of the mountain, Alonzo Stratton had a saw-mill.

Saw-mill Brook rises on the west side of Brush mountain, and comes down by "the roaring falls" (for which the Indian name would be *nauyaug*), north of Beers's mountain, and after coursing the east and north sides of Beers's plain, unites with Miller's brook below the site of Janes's mill.

A saw-mill was built, a little way up this stream, by Elias Bascom; who added a clothing-mill; afterwards operated by Josiah Fisher and Theodore Holton; it is now a grist and saw-mill, owned by Samuel Slate.[1]

Merriman's Brook rises from the spring southwesterly of Beers's hill, near which Capt. Samuel Merriman first built, and enters the Connecticut near the Gill ferry. Though short it is permanent, and has sufficient volume to supply power for a sash and blind manufactory.

Pine-meadow Brook rises on the western declivity of South mountain, and entering the meadow through Crooked hollow, courses along near the hill to the lower end, where it flows into the Connecticut.

Four-mile Brook rises to the west of Old Crag. It is often referred to in the early records as the Little-stony brook. Its general course is south-west. The south bound of the town, as established by Dwight's survey in 1720, was "a line running E. 7° 30′ N. from the mouth of Four-mile brook," which would leave the main body of the stream mostly within Northfield bounds.

"Oct. 19, 1742, the town granted to Jona. Janes, Eleazer Patterson, Charles Doolittle and Paul Field the falls on Four-mile brook for building a saw-mill, with a log yard and pond place not infringing on any prior grant, and during their maintaining a good saw-mill on said falls—*provided* they build the mill within twelve months from this date, otherwise it reverts to the town again." In 1820 Elihu Stratton built a grist-mill on this privilege. It is now owned by Aaron Morgan. Rufus Stratton put in a saw-mill two miles further up the stream.

Pembroke-grant Brook enters the Connecticut about half a mile below the mouth of Four-mile brook, and near the present south line of the town.

The brooks on the west side of the Connecticut are:

Broad Brook, the original north boundary of the Indian territory, and of the township as laid out by William Clarke in 1672. The Indian name of this stream was *Wanasquatok*, which signifies, the end, or the extremity—indicating that the chieftain Nawelet claimed no and further north.

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[1] Bascom's mill and clothier's shop, on this site, were built as early as 1770.

Jock's Brook empties into the Connecticut one-fourth of a mile above Wright's island, now known as Elmer's island.

Cold Brook — sometimes called Upper-salmon brook — rises in a spring at the foot of the mountain, and is only one-third of a mile long; is remarkable for the coolness and purity of its water, which seldom or never freezes. Its mouth is at the head of Elmer's island.

Salmon Brook enters the river at the foot of Elmer's island. It received its name from the abundance of salmon caught here; and is mentioned in the earliest local records extant. Samuel Hunt had built a saw-mill "on first Salmon brook" before 1768.

Island-meadow Brook, or *Island brook*, as it is sometimes called in early deeds, empties at the head of Clary's island.

Little-meadow Brook, now known as Belding's brook, crosses the state line near the South Vernon rail-road station, and empties at the lower end of Little meadow.

Moose-plain Brook rises back of Second-moose plain, and empties near the old Prindle ferry.

Mallory's Brook is at the south end of the Moose-plain lots.

Bennett's Brook, called by the Indians *Natanis*, rises in the north-west part of the town; runs in a southerly course, and reaches the Connecticut at the lower end of Bennett's meadow.

Feb. 23, 1720, the committee granted "the stream upon Bennett's brook to Sergt Benoni Moore, Joseph Petty, Ebenezer Field and Nathaniel Mattoon, for a saw-mill, with the lands that may be necessary for ponding and to lay logs by the same — in case they build it by May come twelvemonth and improve the mill from that time forward for their own and the Town's benefit and service." The privilege is now known as Sawyer's mills, comprising both saw and grist-mills.

Several affluents of Miller's river rise in the east part of Northfield, flowing to the south. Among them are:

Jack's Brook, which rises on the east slope of Old Crag, and

Keeup's Brook, which rises in Great swamp. These unite not far from the Erving line. There is sufficient fall and power for two mill privileges, on one of which a mill was built by Zechariah Field, and sold in 1834 to Calvin Priest. Tradition names these brooks from two Indians who lived near them, just south of the Northfield line.

MOUNTAINS.—The range of Highlands which extends through the length of the town east of the Connecticut river, has various prominences, each with some peculiarity of conformation. These bear different names; some of which are characteristic, some historical, and some fanciful. As seen from the village there appears to be a nearly continuous range, with irregular depressions, cut down sometimes to near the base, through which the streams descend to the plain. A view from the hills on the west side of the river shows the outlines with more distinctness, and gives to the different peaks and intervening depressions more character; and from this distance the whole range has a broken and detached appearance. A bird's eye view reveals parallel ridges, in echelon order, or trending off at a more or less acute angle, with corresponding and intersecting valleys, and broad plats where flourishing farms once nestled. A view from any point, near or remote, unfolds a landscape of rich variety and magnificence and broadness, seldom seen in such direct connection with extensive cultivated plains and meadows, and skirted by a quiet but busy village. The river, and the main street of the town, and the back-ground of hills, all having common lines, give a sense of uniformity and fitness; and the striking contrasts of nature and art: the rounded or jagged outlines, and long vistas, and blending of lights and shades, give finish to the picture.

Beginning at Miller's river, the high eminence bounding that stream is known as *Poplar mountain.* This is wholly in Erving. Directly north, and over the Northfield line, is *South mountain.* Then *Beers's mountain* still further north, with *Beers's hill* at its southwest foot. These were named for Capt. Richard Beers, who was killed by the Indians here in 1675, and buried in a south-westerly spur of the hill.

East of Beers's mountain, and nearly in a line with it, is a bold promontory, which appears as the starting point of a parallel range, and bears the characteristic designation of *Old Crag.* Between Beers's and Crag is an odd shaped prominence called *Roman T*, from its resemblance in outline to the letter T in Roman character. East of Crag are the first *Bald hills.* North of Crag is *Brush mountain.* This is famous for its natural Ice-house, and Rattle-snake den, both of which are on the eastern declivity. Passing up the Gulf road, one comes to Cold spring, about twenty rods from which is a fissure in the rocks, perhaps 10 feet deep by 4 feet wide, extending into the mountain indefinitely, where snow and ice collect in winter, and are usually found in considerable quantities as late as the fourth of July. A little to the south, and higher up the mountain, is the den. This is a small opening to an internal cave where the reptiles resorted in great multitudes for their winter sleep. There is always a perceptible current of air at the mouth, warm in winter and cold in summer, and sufficiently strong to carry off a small dry leaf. For quite a space around, the snow melts as it falls, leaving the ground bare. Both rattle snakes and coons have been found in considerable numbers among these rocks, in more modern times.

A water-spout burst on this mountain, just below the Ice-house, June 7, 1866. The day was clear and exceedingly sultry. After noon a small cloud, heavily charged with electricity, came across the river from the west. There was a smart shower as it passed over Northfield street. Just as it reached the mountains, it met another similar cloud coming from the north-west. Up to the time of contact, the wind was not unusually strong; nor was any thing remarkable noticed by observers. But at that moment the cloud seemed to drop into the gulf, and the whole upper valley became a scene of wildest commotion. It was "black as night;" and the rush and roar and thunder were terrific. Shortly after, and as the first intimation of what had happened, a torrent of water swept down the gulf, filling the lower valley, and clearing its track of every obstruction, till it reached the Connecticut. The side of the mountain where it struck was left a bare rock. Trees and small stones were floated away. Rocks weighing many tons were overturned and moved down the slope. Such was the force of the rushing mass, that on reaching the arable land at the foot of the mountain, on the farm of Asa A. Holton, Esq., it took up the entire soil down to the hard pan for many rods in width. A boulder eight feet in diameter, was washed out and carried about four rods from its original bed. The destruction of farm lands and crops was immense. After remaining stationary a short time, the storm-cloud moved slowly up and over the mountain, and spent itself on the eastern declivity. Though less than where it first broke, the amount of water discharged here was enough to do great damage to cultivated fields, and to the mills on Keeup's brook, and at its junction with Miller's river at Erving Centre.

East of Brush mountain and equal in height are the upper *Bald hills*. To the north, and in range with the hills, is *Stratton mountain*, with its once fruitful farm covering the summit. Near by is *Shuttle hill*. North of Brush mountain, though entirely separated from it by the bed of Miller's brook, is *Round mountain*, with characteristic and graceful outlines. Standing directly east from the centre of the village, it is an object of special interest; and *Round Knob*, at its western foot makes a pleasant relief. Then come *Little Hemlock*, and across Mill brook, *Notch mountain*, which with its abrupt front and notched contour, forms an object of striking grandeur. *Great Hemlock* is a little out of range to the eastward, with an evident geological relation to Mount Grace in Warwick.

Pine Mountain is north of Notch, with Second brook between. *Strobridge Hill* is west of Notch, and *Whortleberry Hill* south-west. The latter is named in early deeds and records; but after 1756 it is called *Hubbard's Hill*, from the second pastor of the church, who owned a large pasture here. *Louisana* is the name applied to the broken ridge near Second brook. *Bunker Hill* is near Hemlock mountain, in the Third Division of Commons.

Staddle Hill (now in Winchester) is north of Pauchaug brook, and east of the plain. It was a well known and much coveted tract, in the Third Settlement, being then covered with a young and thrifty growth of wood. *Chestnut Hill* is still further to the north and above the Ashuelot.

Near the present village of Hinsdale, and below the Ashuelot, are two prominences, commemorating two early settlers, whose descendants still hold the territory. The northernmost and highest is *Taylor's Mountain*. It was included in the 500 acres purchased by Thomas Taylor, for a Spanish pistareen per acre. The other is *Stebbins's Hill*, a little to the south.

Meadow Hill was the common name applied to the bluff or ridge which bounded the river meadows. This varied greatly in height as well as in general character. In some parts the ascent is abrupt, and from 100 to 200 feet. Such points have commonly some distinctive appellation. The best known and most striking of these is the one called *Old Fort Hill*, now in Hinsdale. It stands directly back of Cooper's Point, a half-mile above the mouth of the Ashuelot. The high plain here trends to the west, and turns the course of the Connecticut so that it makes an ox-bow bend. The hill is about 100 feet higher than the meadow, and perhaps 150 feet above the ordinary water level. The sides are steep, and the top was the site of the main fort or stronghold of the Squakheags, before the Mohawk incursion of 1663-4. Further description of the hill and fort belongs more properly to the narrative in a subsequent chapter.

To the north, and particularly near Merry's-meadow brook, the hill is still higher, and was known as *Great Hill*.

To the south, just below the mouth of the Ashuelot, is a point of the bluff which has a conical shape, and was the site of an Indian fort.

At the extreme south end of the town, on Pembroke-grant brook, is a similar cone-shaped hill, sometimes called *Fort Hill*. It is a little back from the Connecticut, about sixty feet in height, and has an area on the top of one acre. No distinct tradition connects it with known events of history; but it is not unlikely that it was once the site of an Indian fort.

Two small hills to the southward of Old Crag, just over the Erving line, bear the names of *Jack's Hill* and *Keeup's Hill.* The former is directly east of the house of Calvin Priest. Keeup's hill is on the home place of Jonathan Delva. Tradition marks them as the sites of Indian cabins; and the respective names commemorate the native occupants.

On the west side of the river the highlands are less prominent, and are not specially connected with our annals. *Pisgah*, and *Grass Hill*, visible from Northfield street, are in Gill, though the latter was included within the bounds of this town from 1720 to 1795. *Pond Mountain* is in the north-west corner of the town. The name comes from a pond of 100 acres, known as White-lily pond, lying at its northerly base.

There are several noted points in the Meadow hill on this side of the river; one is below the Great bend; another against Little meadow; a third just above Bennett's meadow; and a fourth a half-mile below this meadow. The one north of Bennett's meadow is known in history as *Philip's Hill.* It is a projection of the plain which comes near to the river bank. It was fortified in King Philip's time; and was his rendezvous for a part of the winter of 1675-6. He was here March 7, 1676, the day that Mrs. Rowlandson reached the deserted plantation opposite, but moved up the river on the 8th. The hill was defended by a ditch and bank on the westerly side, and otherwise by its steep ascent; but being only about sixty feet high, it was a position of no great strength.

MEADOWS.—The level lands on the banks of the Connecticut river were the chief dependence of the first settlers for grass, of which they yielded a super-abundance. The annual burning over of these meadows and adjacent uplands by the Indians had kept them clean from brush and made them ready for the scythe; and the native grasses, if cut early, were palatable to stock, and highly nutritious. The higher portion of these meadows was ready to be broken up by the plow, and produced great crops of wheat, flax and corn.

These lands were of course the most desirable and valuable; and were the first to be allotted and enclosed. Every *engager* for the First and Second Settlements received, in addition to a home-lot, a share of these interval lands, proportionate to the amount he subscribed to the common stock. Hence the river meadows were all named; and the names then given are land-marks in history — occur-ring in early grants and deeds, and in most instances perpetuated to the present day.

These tracts of meadow are not continuous. In many places the bluff or high plain comes quite to the channel and borders the river for a considerable distance. Much of the soil is purely alluvial — formed by the deposits of the spring floods. The current is continually wearing in some points, and filling up in others; hence some meadows are gaining and others losing; and the change in the course of a century is very considerahle.

The matter of *fencing* these meadows — when cattle were allowed to run at large — was an item of some cost and constant care to the early settlers. At first, when every householder had his lot in each interval, this matter was properly a town affair. But when from increase of population, or the buying up of small claims, the ownership became a strictly individual concern, the proprietors of each meadow organized themselves into a body corporate, which had control of the whole matter of fencing and feeding. They held their annual meetings, and chose clerk, fence-viewers, and haywards, determined each man's proportion of fence, and assessed a rate on themselves to pay all incidental charges.

Beginning at the south and on the east side of the river, the first of importance is:

Pine Meadow.— This is not named in the two earlier Settlements; and it appears to have been then covered with a young growth of yellow pines, and consequently was not considered of much value. Oak, or *rift timber*, as it was called, i. e., timber that could be readily split into clap-boards and shingles, was the only kind thought to be fit for use for buildings and fences.

Next above are the *Three Little Meadows*, now known as Little meadows, lying west of Cow plain. These are of special historical interest, as having received their name before any settlement was made at Northfield. And the southern end of these meadows marks the original south bound of the township, as laid out by the first Committee in 1672. The entire lower part of this interval belonged to the farm which was granted in 1719 to Col. John Stoddard of Northampton, as part of the 100 acres set to him, in recognition of and payment for his services as clerk of the Committee for Northfield. In 1729, Col. Stoddard sold this farm for £550, to Ensign Zechariah Field and Orlando Bridgeman; and it is known in modern times as the Field farm. As seen from the higher ground, the strip of interval appears to be a single long and narrow meadow: but originally it was crossed by two little brooks which cut gullies and divided it into three parts — and hence the name.

Great Meadow.—This tract — originally rated at 385 acres — from its size and location directly west of the town plot, was the first of the meadows to be divided to the settlers, and was the most valuable of all the alluvial lands. It was both the town's granary and treasury and storehouse. It was lotted out before the planters moved upon the ground; and was the only common field which was fenced in during the First Settlement. And every grantee had his due proportion in this fruitful interval. To distinguish it from the large meadow on the west side of the river, some miles higher up, when that upper tract was lotted out in the Second Settlement this was called "The Great meadow by the town," and is so designated in early deeds.

The soil in this large meadow varied in different parts, as affected by stagnant water, or unequal action of freshets; and for the purposes of taxation the land was distinguished into *first* and *second* qualities. The lots were laid out east and west. Two highways were laid from the town street to the meadow, and an intersecting highway in the meadow crossing every man's lot.

Pauchaug.—The meadow now known by this Indian name, contained 130 acres, and was next in value to Great meadow, as it was next in convenience of location. The word *pauchauog* signifies, dancing place; and from the peculiar application of the term by the first English comers, and from the peculiar conformation of the bluffs on the easterly side, as well as from the fact that the place was about equidistant from Massemet's and Nawelet's villages, it is believed that the two native clans were accustomed to meet here for their annual games and merry-making.

This tract was rich and productive, and was alloted to the settlers (though not fenced) in 1673. But as the new comers at the resettlement in 1685, complained that these *best lands* were already appropriated, and thus their shares unequal, the first grantees agreed "to give up Pauchaug," and have it relotted to the settlers, without regard to previous rights. Most of this meadow fell to the new comers.

Doolittle's Meadow.— Originally this tract of low land was partly included in the Wells's meadow draught,[1] and partly in the Fifth meadow draught, as they were named and allotted in 1685-6. It was not as large nor as valuable then as now, the current being nearer the eastern bank, and the land more marshy. The present name commemorates the first pastor of the church and his heirs, who have been large owners here.

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[1] The term *draught* was used to designate any tract of land which was by order of the town surveyed by the sworn measurers, and of which a *plan* or *draught* was made, ready to be drawn for by lot on a specified day.

Ashuelot Meadow, as the name was applied by the settlers in 1685, embraced only the low land which formed the tongue between this stream and the Connecticut. The two meadows higher up the Ashuelot were not divided, till the *choice pitches* were assigned in 1731. The Ashuelot draught, as it was called, took in the tongue of land above named, and the large meadow opposite, on the westerly side of the Connecticut.

Merry's Meadow lay above the site of the old Hinsdale meeting-house. It extended from Merry's meadow brook northerly 367 perches. It received its name from Cornelius Merry, a Northfield settler of 1673 and 1685, who in the latter year had a grant of 11½ acres at the south end of the meadow. The balance of the tract was not allotted till the Third Settlement.

Through some misapprehension about the town bounds, in June 1732, the General court of Massachusetts granted to Governor Jonathan Belcher 500 acres of province land, "beginning at a black oak standing on the east bank of the Connecticut river, at the north end of Merry's meadow (so called), and runs from thence E. 39° 30′ N. 190 perch, thence S. 39° 30′ E. 367 perch, thence W. 39° 30′ S. 190 perch to an elm tree, standing in the corner between the Connecticut river and the little brook emptying into the river at the lower end of Merry's meadow, thence along the Connecticut river to the place of beginning."

Upon remonstrance by the Northfield proprietors the matter was investigated by the colonial authorities, and as sufficient evidence existed that the tract in question was within the limits of Northfield, the grant to Belcher was annulled, and an equivalent elsewhere laid out to him.

The original proprietors of Merry's meadow, were Eleazar Mattoon, Daniel Shattuck, William Wright, Peter Evens, Joseph Petty, Jr., Robert Cooper, Nathaniel Mattoon, Moses Nash, Zachery Lawrence, Benoni Moore, Benjamin Palmer. The lots varied in size from five acres to fifteen acres. The first meeting of these proprietors for organization was held April 5, 1736. It was *voted*, That the meadow be fenced according to law by the 20th of this instant April. Fence viewers were chosen, who were ordered to lay out y^e fence and proportion it to each proprietor, in proportion to y^e place where it lies and return a list to y^e^ town clerk of Northfield. *Voted*, That lots be drawn to find where men's fence shall lie, beginning at the lower end of s^d^ meadow. In the same year, a highway two rods wide was laid by the town, from Pauchaug to Merry's meadow.

In 1731, Jonathan Janes took one of his *choice lots* of 45½ acres above Merry's meadow. It was bounded west by the Connecticut river, north by *the north line of Northfield*, east by the Fourth division of Commons. He sold this lot August 9, 1745, to John Mun, weaver, of Northfield.

In 1753, among the Fourth Division lots apportioned to the Northfield inhabitants, lying east of or against Merry's meadow, was one of 89 acres to widow Martha Dickinson which "lay east of Col. Hinsdell's lane;" and another of 156½ acres to Simeon Alexander, which lay "north of widow Dickinson's land."

On the west side of the river, beginning at the south, is:

Bennett's Meadow, so called after James Bennett, an early explorer and settler of 1675. The Indian name as given in the original deed was *Nallaham comgon* or *Natanis*; as given in a deed of Joseph Parsons's heirs, August 12, 1715, it was *Halbacum comgane*, or *Huffanus*. It contained about 200 acres; and notwithstanding the inconvenience of crossing the river, the lots here were esteemed of great value. The lands in this meadow were surveyed and allotted out and first recorded June 9, 1686. The list names sixteen proprietors. It was resurveyed and new bounds set to the lots, October 13, 1716. The south side of this meadow was the original south bound of the town on the west of the river.

Little Meadow is described in the early records as lying "opposite the upper end of Pauchaug," and contained twenty-four acres. Its south bound was Little meadow brook, now Belding's brook.

Third Meadow, next above, was separated from the preceding by only a narrow ravine or gully. It was estimated at thirty-six acres. Both of these intervals are now known as Little meadow.

Wells's Meadow was the name applied to the interval lands lying above Rock island. The Wells-meadow draught included some part of the low lands on the opposite side of the river.

Fifth Meadow, or "Great meadow above the town," as it is called in the records, embraced the low lands lying northerly of Wells's meadow, and extended above Pomeroy's island. The Fifth-meadow draught took in the upper part of the Doolittle meadow. In some deeds the name Doolittle's meadow is applied to the whole of the Fifth-meadow draught.

Stebbins's Meadow, near Clary's island, was part of the Ashuelot draught.

Cold-spring Meadow was near the north line of the town, and adjoined the Bridgeman farm.

Islands (in the Connecticut). — *Clarke's Island*, off the upper end of Pine meadow, was granted by the town to William Clarke in 1686, and confirmed to his heirs Feb. 23, 1723. It then contained 10¾ acres. By the growth of trees and consequent accumulation of soil, it increased in size to sixteen acres. But since the wood was cleared off the freshets have swept away the larger part of the island. This has been known as Field's island, and Stratton island.

Like so many places — possible and impossible — this island was reputed to be one of the spots where Captain Kidd the pirate buried a chest of gold. The legend is, that Kidd and his men ascended the river — how they got over the three falls with their ponderous load is not stated — till they reached this secluded island. Here, having placed the heavy chest in its hole, they sacrificed by lot one of their number, and laid his body a top of the treasure, that his ghost might forever after defend it from all fortune-seekers. Many a man longed for the gold, but had not the courage to disturb the ghost. But in an evil hour, Abner Field, after consulting a noted conjurer, and ascertaining the exact spot where the chest was buried, resolved "to tempt the devil on the haunted isle." Intrusting the secret to two confederates — for nothing could be done without the presence of *three* — he waited for the propitious time, which was when the full moon was directly over-head at midnight. They were to form a triangle around the designated point, and work in perfect *silence* — as a word spoken would break the charm! Having reached the island, and fixed upon the spot, they begin. The hard labor and terror of the still midnight, with its imagined dusky sprites, brought out the big drops of perspiration; but they dug with desperation, for if the cock should crow the spell would dissolve. Raising the crow-bar for a mighty stroke, down it goes — clink! against the iron lid. "*You've hit it!*" exclaims one, forgetting the charge of silence. Alas! for that word. The charm is broken; and instantly the chest settled down out of reach; and as instantly the disturbed ghost appeared, flitting around them! And before they can collect their scattered senses, Satan himself — full six feet tall — rises from under the bank, crosses the island "like a wheel," *going right through a hay-stack*, and plunges into the river with a yell and splash! Thus was the hope of anxious months blasted! But the diggers ever after insisted — as they told the story to the eager group gathered of an evening before the blazing fire — that they struck the iron lid; and might have been rich men, but for the unlucky exclamation, "you've hit it!"

Some were malicious enough to say that the secret of the expedition was betrayed in advance; and that Oliver Smith and an accomplice were on hand to personate the ghost and the evil one.

Janes's Island, named in the early records, and then containing twelve acres, was "just above Pauchaug." It was granted in 1686 to Elder William Janes; and afterwards to his son Joseph.

Nov. 15, 1721. Benj^n Janes and Jona. Janes sell this island to Stephen Belding; and it is named in a French map, published some years later, *Belding's island.*

At that time it was wholly separated from the river bank, and the easterly channel was so deep as to allow the flat-bottomed boats to pass up. At present this channel is substantially filled up, so that the island has become a part of Doolittle's meadow.

Rock Island, a short distance above, near the west bank, is now only a ledge of bare rock.

Pomeroy's Island is about 100 rods below the mouth of the Ashuelot. It once contained about twelve acres, but the wearing of the current on the easterly side, has reduced the area nearly one-half. It was named for Nathaniel Pomeroy of Deerfield, who was killed here by the Indians July 15, 1698. The story is told in chapter IV.

Clary's Island, now known as *Stebbins's Island*, contains thirty acres, and is situated below the Great bend, and about one-fourth of a mile above the mouth of the Ashuelot. It was granted to John Clary Jr. in 1685. For several generations it has belonged to Capt. Joseph Stebbins and his descendants. This island is intimately connected with the history of the Indian occupancy, and will be often referred to in subsequent chapters.

Wright's Island, now *Elmer's Island*, lies between the mouths of Salmon and Cold brooks. According to the records, it contains five acres, and was granted in 1731 to the heirs of Benjamin Wright Jr. It afterwards belonged, by grant or purchase, to Hezekiah Elmer, and was held by his sons.

Spring Island, is named in the records, as early as 1731, and described as lying "against Merry's meadow."

PLAINS.—As this term was used by the early settlers, it had a restricted meaning. It was not applied to level lands in general, but to certain well defined tracts that had some common peculiarity of soil and condition, were nearly free from trees, and could be readily cultivated. With a few exceptions, the lands so designated lie on the first and second terraces back of the river meadows.

On the east side of the river, beginning at the south, was

Four Mile Brook Plain, which lay northerly from that stream. This was granted to settlers who came between the years 1716 and 1723; or to speak more definitely, this plain was the bait held out to tempt young men to come and settle. When an unmarried man of good character visited the place, or his name was brought to their notice, the Committee would vote him a grant of ten acres of upland, to be laid out at Four mile brook plain, or some convenient place; it being understood that a title was only secured by actual residence in town. About twenty such grants were made, some of which were accepted and some forfeited.

Cow Plain, or *South Plain*, extended from the lower end of the Three-little meadows, skirting the said meadows, to Saw-mill brook. It was granted to settlers who came to Northfield between 1714 and 1720, mostly in lots of five and ten acres each. The lots were laid out east and west. Benjamin Janes had the ten acres next to Saw-mill brook. Col. Stoddard's farm took in a considerable part of this plain, together with all the land in Little meadows "south of the northernmost brook that crosses said meadows." Joseph Petty had thirteen acres south of the Stoddard farm. The proprietors of this plain organized as a body corporate in 1746.

There is pretty clear evidence that this plain was the *planting field* of the Indian tribe which dwelt on the adjoining plain and neighboring bluffs. If so, it will account for the fact, stated in the first grants and deeds, that in the early settlement of the town, the slopes of both the meadow hill and the hill east were covered with an old growth of spruce trees, some standing and some fallen down from age. The dictate of self-preservation would induce the natives to spare the adjacent lands from the devastation of their annual fires, and thus these primeval trees remained.

Beers's Plain. This historic spot lies east of Cow plain and extends to Saw-mill brook. It received its name from Capt. Richard Beers, who with his company was ambushed here by the Indians September 4, 1675, and he and the larger part of his men slain. This plain was the site of an Indian village, as attested by the remains of their granaries, and their large burial places — a full account of which, as well as of the onset of 1675, will be found in the body of this work.

These lands were not distributed by special grant, like those of the plain west, but were included in what is known as the "First Division of Commons," and were allotted to the inhabitants in 1731. The soil was originally free, though abundantly fertile; but by continual cropping with rye, it became exhausted, and the lower part is now mainly a pine barren and shifting sand.

Pauchaug Plain was the table of land lying east of the meadow of the same name. It was divided into ten acre lots, which were apportioned, early in the Third Settlement, to such of the inhabitants as had no lots on Cow plain.

Log Plain lay to the north of Pauchaug brook and west of Staddle hill. It was distributed to the settlers in the same manner as the plain below.

Wells's Plain is mentioned in the records of 1686. The name was applied to the high lands above Pauchaug, and on the west side of the river opposite, back of Little and Third meadows. The west side portion was of a broken character, and was not esteemed especially valuable. Some of the east side lands belonging to this tract were allotted in the Second Settlement.

Moose Plain was on the west side of the river. It took in the first table or high bank between Mallory's brook on the south and Little-meadow brook on the north. It was divided to the settlers in 1685, and contained 120 acres. At the commencement of the Third Settlement, it was a famous place for raising wheat and rye.

Second-moose Plain lay directly back of Moose plain. It is first named in the records in 1717, and was divided to the new inhabitants April 5, 1720. It was estimated at 185 acres. September 1, 1740, the proprietors of the two Moose plains met and organized as a single corporation, and voted to build a fence around the entire tract. The rule of fencing adopted was, "one rod and thirteen feet to each acre held by a proprietor." January 4, 1773, the proprietors of First-moose plain organized as a distinct corporation.

SWAMPS.—As used by our fathers in the earliest times, this term did not necessarily denote marshy ground; but flat land which from its peculiar location had escaped the ravages of the annual fires set by the Indians, and was covered with an old growth of wood. The only tract in this town thus mentioned in the records of the First and Second Settlements was:

Great Swamp, which lay directly east of the town plot. During the first occupancy of 1673-75, it was held in common. When the settlers returned in 1685, it was divided into thirty-two lots, of different sizes, and each householder received his proper proportion. These lots were 160 rods long, running east and west. As is well known, the mountains and hills, at this date, were mostly bare of wood; and, except the ravines, and the protected slopes bordering the meadows and plains, this swamp was the only place handy to the street, where the settlers found timber suitable for building purposes.

Dry Swamp, which was in brushwood in 1673, and had become well timbered with oak and hard pine in 1714, lay to the south and east of Great swamp. The name was applied to the lands drained by Miller's brook, extending from the home-lots on the west to the six rods highway on the east.

This tract was lotted out after the settlement of 1714, and apportioned to such new comers as had no rights in Great swamp. The lots were laid north and south; were about 100 rods long, and mostly contained five acres six rods each, except Ebenezer Field's, which had ten acres thirteen rods. This large piece was given to him, because, being a blacksmith, he needed abundance of charcoal.

The *Great swamp*, as it is now known, east of the mountains, was too far away to be of much account to the early settlers. The north part was then a reedy marsh or pond (called Crane's pond); the south part was heavily wooded. Mrs. Rowlandson, in company with about 2000 Indians, spent the night of Monday, March 6, 1676, by the side of this swamp. The camp was near where the highway to Wendell crosses Keeup's brook, to the east of Crag mountain.

THE COMMONS.— The plains and meadows and the two swamps, that were allotted to the settlers, and thus became individual estates, comprised by a small portion of the territory. By far the largest part of the lands in old Northfield was known by the name of *the commons*, and was, till 1731, open to all the inhabitants alike for pasturage, and for gathering *candle wood*, and under certain restrictions, fuel. The account of the subsequent division of these common lands, will form a curious chapter in these annals.

There are certain special tracts, and noted landmarks, and points of historic interest, that deserve mention in this connection.

The Commonwealth is a tract of about sixty-five acres of high broken land, to the east of Dry swamp. It lay common till taken up by Gen. John Nevers in the early part of the present century. It was here that young Benjamin Wright was shot by the Indians, August 11, 1746.

Wigwam, is the name applied in deeds and tax lists, to a considerable tract lying south-west of Roman T. It appears to denote the spot of an Indian encampment, and was named for the remains of a large *granary* found here in early times.

Crooked Hollow is a serpentine ravine or gully, east of Pine meadow.

Old Soldier's Hole.— This is a deep ravine leading from the plain to the river, one-fourth of a mile south of the lower point of Three-little meadows. The story is, that a soldier, in flying from the Indians, at the time of Beers's fight, jumped into this gully, and secreted himself, and so escaped the notice of the savages. It marks the south boundary of the First Division lots.

Cooper's Cave.— This is a deep gully at the bottom of Meadow hill, west of the Nathaniel Mattoon home-lot. Tradition has it, that in the war of 1722-6, Robert Cooper went out from the fort to the spring for water, and finding himself cut off by an Indian scout, hid in this hole, till relieved by friends who became alarmed at his long absence.

Stratton Hollow.— There were two spots known by this name. One was in the Great meadow, just west from Cooper's cave. Another was near Pine meadow. Both were called after the owners of the land.

The Gulf, and *The Ice Cave*, and *Rattle-snake Den*, have been sufficiently indicated in the description of Brush mountain.

Cooper's Point, has been already named, but needs a more particular description. It lies inside the Great bend in the Connecticut, and is now in the town of Hinsdale, N. H. It was named from Robert Cooper, who had land here, and who built a house just above, near the site of the old Hinsdale meeting-house, as early as 1738. He may have built a little earlier, as the records refer to Cooper's Point in 1735.

Council Rock, was a noted spot in Northfield's early history. It was a huge mass of pudding-stone that cropped out in the middle of the town street, just against the south Warwick road. The rock rose three feet above the general level of the ground, was nearly flat on the top, and about 20 × 30 feet in diameter. Here the old men were accustomed to gather, on summer evenings, to hear the news, discuss politics and tell stories; and the boys were on hand, to listen to the stories, or have a game of *goal*. About the year 1821, the rock was blasted away, and the fragments put into a stone wall, which stands a little way to the south-east. The travelled way, which formerly ran on the east side of the rock, now passes directly over the centre of its ancient bed.

Belding's Rock stands in the highway just north of Mill brook. It marks the spot where Aaron Belding was shot and scalped by the Indians, July 23, 1748.

The Meeting Oak. A cluster of half a dozen yellow oaks, then old trees, was standing in 1673, near the lower end of the town street. It is a tradition that the settlers held a Sabbath service of public worship under the shade of one of these trees during their first summer's residence in Northfield, where Elder William Janes preached to his fellow adventurers. The last of these memorable trees, which stood in front of the house of John Wright, was burned down July 5, 1869.

Shade Trees in Northfield Street.— The two elms standing close together and near the line of the highway, in front of the Parson Doolittle home-lot, now Lewis T. Webster's, and several others in this immediate neighborhood, were set in 1782 by Caleb Lyman, who then owned the homestead. The two in question stood on either side of his front door. The remaining trees of large size, in the central part of the village, which add so essentially to its beauty and comfort, were set in 1813-15, by Thomas Power, Esq., then a resident in the town.

BELDING INSCRIPTION.

CHAPTER I.

The River Indians.

Agawams — Nonotucks — Pacomptocks — Squakheags — Origin of the Tribe — Indian Forts — Village Sites — Domestic Life — Customs — Food — Games — Religion.

IN 1670, the Indians living in the valley of the Connecticut river, within the territory claimed by Massachusetts, were located in detached villages, at points which commanded the readiest means of subsistence and safety. They had previously sold to the whites the major part of their best lands — reserving in all cases what alone was valuable to them, viz: their planting fields, and the right of hunting, fowling and fishing, and setting wigwams on the commons; and the two races were holding a sort of joint occupancy. The white settlers had in every instance been welcomed; had paid for the lands to the satisfaction of the original owners; and though there was no mingling of races, and no social equality, the two lived on neighborly terms — with as little of friction and quarreling as the nature of the case allowed.

The *Agawams* occupied the region above and below Springfield. Here were fine meadows for corn, and the foot of the falls above was a noted fishing place.

The *Nonotucks* or Norwottucks, who originally claimed the country from the head of the falls to Mount Wequomps (now Sugarloaf), had villages and forts on both sides of the river. They had several planting fields of 12 to 20 acres each; the hills to the west were covered with chestnut trees which furnished a store of nuts; and the swamps and plains abounded in deer, wild turkeys and other game.

The *Pacomptocks* occupied the valley of the Deerfield river; and the *Squakheags* claimed the country north, both above and below the present state line.

It is a commonly accepted opinion that these tribes or clans immigrated from the eastward. According to Gookin, who wrote *Historical Sketches of the Indians*, the Pacomptocks (including the Nonotucks) were subject to the sachem of the Massachusetts nation. It may seem presumption to differ with an author so well informed and reliable; but it is submitted that their *war record* proves that they were accustomed to act independently both of the Massachusetts tribe, and the Massachusetts colonial authorities.

The date when the red men settled in the valley is unknown. That they had been here for many generations, and had once been large in numbers and formidable in power is evident; but whether they were swept off by the malignant distemper that was so fatal to the eastern Indians in 1612-13, or had perished in war, it is not possible to determine. That they had recently suffered severe losses in a war with the Mohawks is certain; and their partially crippled condition and the fear of their powerful enemy at the west, probably had an influence in bringing about the special favor with which they at first treated the English.

Of the exact numbers of these several tribes, at the date named, it is somewhat difficult to form an estimate. Their villages were not attractive to white visitors; their general gatherings for *powows* and games were seldom or never witnessed by the English, and if present, an *outsider* could hardly distinguish between residents, and delegates from other tribes. And their mode of warfare — when they assumed the offensive against our people a few years later — rendered it impossible to determine the number engaged in a given assault. They never showed themselves in the open field in force; and their simultaneous fire from behind the scattered trees of a thicket, or their sudden appearance at detached points of attack were well calculated to deceive as to numbers. And fear always multiplies dangers. Taking the names attached to the several deeds of land sold to the whites, which were signed by the heads of the leading families; the capacity and appearance of their different villages and forts, as described by witnesses and attested by authentic remains; and the numbers known to be actually engaged in some of their important expeditions, it is believed that the aggregate number of the four tribes named did not exceed, at the date under consideration, 1200, of whom not more than 300 were warriors.[1]

Of these tribes, the Pacomptock was the largest, most warlike, and best known. This and the Nonotucks were evidently of common origin, and were closely allied in purpose and interest. Indeed, the name *Pacomptocks* was often used by the writers of the time, to include both clans. They appear to have been a branch of the Nipnet or Nipmuck family, which was scattered over the more central parts of the state, and about the ponds on both sides of the Connecticut state line, in the neighborhood of Dudley and Woodstock.[1] These two clans were distinct in their possessions, and maintained each its own separate jurisdiction. Each was divided into several families or sub-clans; and while for the purposes of war or defence, the two might acknowledge the leadership of one high chieftain, in ordinary times the principal families claimed and held the right of ownership in a specified tract of land, where were placed their fort and planting-ground.

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[1] The common belief of the time made it double or treble this number: Mr. Judd's estimate makes it some less.

The territory held by the Pacomptocks proper, extended from the southerly end of Mt. Wequomps, to the north side of the meadow called Nallahamcomgon, now Bennett's meadow in Northfield. Toward the west their bound was indefinite. On the east it was nominally the Connecticut river, though their land extended much beyond this stream. Embraced in this tract were swamps and rivulets which afforded the best and handiest means for obtaining furs; the rich valley of the Deerfield river furnished abundant planting-ground; and the Pasquamscut[2] (Turner's) falls were unsurpassed as a fishing place. And as evidence of the prosperity and thrift of this savage people, it should be stated that they once, from their surplus stores, saved the infant Connecticut colony from impending famine. The spring of 1637 was so occupied by the English settlers at Windsor, Hartford and Wethersfield in preparing for and carrying on the war with the Pequots, that they failed to plant the requisite amount of corn and wheat. The following winter proving unusually long and severe, their provisions were wholly exhausted. On the first opening of spring (1638) a deputation was sent up to Agawam, where they failed to get supplies; and then up the river to Pacomptock, where they found plenty of corn, and purchased of the Indians enough to load a fleet of 50 canoes, which were taken down the river by the natives, and the corn delivered at the towns designated.

This tribe took an important part in the wars of the period. They were generally ready on occasion to help the Massachusetts, the Nipnets, and the Narragansetts, in their frequent struggles, as well as to undertake enterprises of their own. In 1656, Uncas, the Mohegan sachem, moved up the river, with a considerable force, to take revenge of the Pacomptocks for some previous injury. The particulars of the expedition are not recorded; but it is known that the Pacomptocks successfully repelled the assault — "had so great a victory over him, and killed so many of his [Uncas's] men."[1]

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[1] According to Mr. Judd, the Nonotucks were accustomed to claim blood-relationship with the Quaboags.

[2] Peske or pas-ompsk-ut, means, at the divided or parting rock, alluding to the rock near the head of the fall, which divided the waters. This rock was the favorite fishing-stand of the Indians.

The next year (1657) a raid for retaliation was planned by the Pacomptocks. "Wequogonoag, sachem of Narraganset, Wetowasnati [and] Wisquoconc commissioners for Massepetoat Pacomptock sachem, Wampequamenet sachem, [and] Warquacunc, petitioned the General court of Massachusetts for liberty to make war upon Uncas.[2] The court's consent was not given; but the Pacomptocks went down the river secretly, and committed various depredations upon the allies of the Mohegan chief. The following extract from the records of the commissioners of the United Colonies (Sept. 1657), throws a little light on this expedition: "and the Gov^{r}. of Conn^{t}. is desired to signify to the Pocomtick and Norwootick Sachems on charge upon Unckas in reference to the Podunk Indians, and on desire of their return to their dwelling and continuance there in Peace; therefore we desire and expect they (the Pocomtick Sachems) will forbeare all hostility against Unckas till the next meeting of the Commissioners."

In 1659 the United Colonies again sent messengers to them, requesting them to suspend hostilities. The Sachems received the commissioners respectfully; made a reply characterized by moderation, shrewdness and firmness; but declined to make peace.[3] These incidents help us to understand the strength and status of this tribe.

About 1663, the Mohawks, who lived on the river of that name in New York, and were the inveterate enemies of the northern Massachusetts tribes, made a descent upon the River Indians, and committed serious depredations here and to the eastward. The Deerfield valley was the scene of sanguinary conflicts. It is an accepted tradition that in this or another of their incursions the Mohawks attacked the Pacomptocks in their fort, situated on what is now known as Fort hill, a half-mile northeast of Deerfield meeting-house, and carried it after a severe contest, in which many were slain on both sides. The victors then fell upon the Squakheags: and pursuing their march eastward, inflicted great injury upon the tribes living on the Nashaway and Merrimack rivers.

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[1] *Mass. Records*, vol. III, p. 436.

[2] *Manuscript Court Records.*

[3] *Judd's Hadley*, p. 124.

To revenge their injuries, several of the Massachusetts tribes formed a combination, and in the summer of 1669, with a force estimated at 600 or 700 warriors, marched for the Mohawk country. Chickatawbut, the principal sachem of the Massachusetts tribe, appears to have headed the expedition. The chiefs of the Nonotucks, and Pacomptocks, and Squakheags, with their clans entered eagerly into the campaign, and made large preparations. Learning of their design, the Massachusetts authorities used every means in their power to dissuade the Indians from their hazardous undertaking; but in vain. The eastern clans gathered on the river; and the western trail was taken up. The Mohawks appear to have received timely intelligence of the approach of their enemy, and made preparation for their reception. Arriving at the nearest Mohawk fort, the Massachusetts sachem at once invested it with his whole force; but for some reason he failed to make an immediate assault, and the delay proved his ruin. After a seige of several days, and at least one sanguinary battle, in which our Indians gained the advantage, finding his ammunition and provisions nearly exhausted, the assailant drew off his forces, and commenced a retreat towards the Bay. Observing his movement, the Mohawks left their fort and by a detour gained a position in front, and planted an ambuscade in a thickset swamp, where they made an unexpected and furious attack on the retreating army. The battle is believed to have been fierce and bloody, and the loss of the New England Indians about fifty, including the leader and several under chiefs. On the approach of darkness the Mohawks returned to their fort, and the dispirited and broken invaders pursued their homeward march. Peace between the rival nations was not concluded for nearly two years, but no further hostile attempts were made from this quarter.

The account of this struggle between the Massachusetts Indians and the Mohawks has been given so much in detail, because, indirectly, it prepared the way for the settlement of Northfield — as will appear in the sequel.

THE SQUAKHEAGS. — The territory of the Squakheags lay to the north of the lands held by the Pacomptocks, and took in both sides of the Connecticut river.

Its north bound was "the little river called Wanasquatok" (Broad brook), which empties into the Connecticut near the north line of the town of Vernon, Vt. There is no evidence to show how far the tribe claimed ownership toward the west; probably not more than 9 miles from the river. But they claimed the territory to the eastward to near the headwaters of Miller's river — as appears from the fact that a descendant of Nawelet at a later period sold a large tract in the neighborhood of Paquayag (Athol), which land, as appears from the deed, came to him (the Indian) by inheritance. From all the facts that have been gathered, it is concluded that the Squakheags were not related to the Pacomptocks. The distinctive peculiarities of language, and marks of tribal affinity, all connect them with the clans living on the banks of the Merrimack river. It is known that they were in close alliance with the Pennacooks, with whom they maintained intimate relations after the close of King Philip's war. But their early history, both before immigration and as a River tribe, is involved in much obscurity. Their somewhat isolated position would naturally screen them from public notice; and as a frontier tribe, exposed on the west and north, their attention must necessarily have been much devoted to self-defence and the means of subsistence. And as their own territory furnished abundance of game of all kinds, and furs and fish were plenty, and the rich meadows were fruitful and easily tilled, there was nothing but the love of war to tempt them abroad.

That the tribe had lived here for several generations, is rendered probable by the large number of skeletons which have been unearthed — sometimes singly, and sometimes by scores — in all the different stages of decay. That at one period they were prosperous and somewhat numerous, is abundantly shown by the remains — still visible — of their villages and defensive works on either side of the river. That they were skilled in Indian strategy, and were warlike and revengeful; and that they entered heartily into the combination which had for its ultimate object the extermination of the whites, will appear from the part they took in the war of 1675–6, and the struggles of the next 80 years — to be narrated in these pages.

The authentic history of the Squakheags begins about 1663 or '64. At this date the Mohawks made their famous incursion to New England, and having captured the Pacomptock fort marched northward and fell upon Squakheag. Here they made clean work. The forts were taken, the villages destroyed, and the Indians driven from their homes.[1]

From this blow they never fully recovered. The next few years were years of uncertainty.[2] The Mohawks maintained a threatening attitude; and the Colonial government *appeared* to have a greater desire to conciliate them than to protect their own border tribes.

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[1] Letter of John Pynchon, Sept. 8, 1675.

[2] Sept. 1665, 5 armed Maquas from the Hudson river were found near Boston; our Indians demanded them; but they were sent in safety home by the governor — a kind of diplomacy not comprehensible to the savage, smarting under his wrongs!

And thus was nurtured the discontent and suspicion which ripened a few years later into open hostility. The Squakheags did not relinquish their lands; probably they partially rebuilt their villages. They may have done something by way of planting their old fields, and during the fishing season repaired to their favorite spearing-places at the bend of the river above and below Elmer's island; but their chief abiding place was nearer some of the friendly tribes — at Paquayag and Nashaway.

When the central tribes united in the expedition against the Mohawks in 1669, the Squakheag chiefs were forward in furthering the movement, hoping doubtless, to get full revenge for previous injuries. But after the disastrous failure of this enterprise (already narrated), they wholly deserted their old dwelling place. So that those that "went upon discovery" thither in 1670, could with truth say that "the want of inhabitants to burn the meadows and woods" caused "the growth of underwoods to increase" to such an extent as to threaten serious inconvenience, unless the place was speedily resettled.[1] As confirmatory testimony, it may be stated that in the first bargain with the whites, our Indians sold their lands below what was regarded by both parties to be their true value, and an additional sum was afterwards demanded and paid. And a most significant fact in these several sales is, that, contrary to what had hitherto been the uniform practice, the natives made no *reservations* of planting-grounds or other privileges, in the deeds of transfer and warranty.

THE INDIAN NAME.— In the Indian language, the name of a place was always descriptive of the leading feature, or production, or use, or tradition of the location. And it is matter of profound regret that our present knowledge of that language is so limited. With a full understanding of their nouns generic and specific, and their common verb-forms and radicals, we could construct pretty satisfactorily, their geography and philosophy, and to a large extent trace their tribal history. A name was a thing; a verb expressed the relations of things. What the red man *saw*, what he *felt*, what he *knew* — had its exact representative in one of his simple syllables or combined words. His life was less complex than ours; it had fewer accessories and contingents; it was compressed into a smaller space. Hence it could be more readily comprehended and delineated. His keen eye discovered the characteristic feature of a place or quality of an object — his quick ear caught the distinctive sound — and his unerring perception drew the natural inference; he saw and heard and marked what constituted the individuality of places, objects and events; — or, to speak more precisely, he marked that feature, quality, or sequence of a thing or event, which touched most nearly his own daily life, and most directly affected his past experience and future purposes. Hence his picture-words are the exponents and records of himself and his life and his history; they contain all the elements of his intuitive and acquired knowledge. They are to ethnology, what the fossil remains of animals and plants embedded in the rocks are to geology — only the one tells the story of successive epochs of created life; the other the story of a departed race.

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[1] Petition to General court, May 31, 1671.

As the Indians had no written vocabulary, the English had no means of learning the language but by the ear. And many of their syllabic sounds were somewhat obscure, and difficult to catch, and hard to be expressed by our letters. The apostle Eliot, and Roger Williams, took great pains to master the language, and reduce to a fixed form their modes of expression. But, what is especially to be deplored — the majority of the magistrates and scribes of the time, who made out the official records, such as deeds, and treaties, and accounts of expeditions, were inexcusably careless in designating persons and places. And this want of exactness, and the strange diversity in spelling, adds greatly to the difficulty of finding the synonym and definitions of Indian name-words. The name of our town furnishes a striking example in point. The Committee who visited the place in 1669 write it Suckquakege: the first petitioners for the grant of territory write Squawquegue and Wissquawquegue — evidently applying to the two tracts held by the upper and lower clans. The Connecticut council spell it Suckquackheag: John Pynchon writes Wussquakeag; Samuel Partridge writes Wussquackheag: other authorities write Wessquakheag and Soquagkeeke: the form Squakheag, used by the Rev. Solomon Stoddard in 1675, is evidently a contraction of the more complex term.

The two most competent authorities, who went upon the ground, and heard the name spoken by the natives, are Daniel Gookin and William Janes. The former writes Suckquakege; the latter Wissquawquegue. Assuming that these most nearly represent the Indian vocal sounds, we get a probable clew to the word and its meaning. *Namaus-squam-aug-khige* means, a spearing place of salmon. As uttered in a single breath it would be N'-m'-us-squag-kege; contracted still more, 'S-squakheag. This interpretation of the name is confirmed by the well known fact that the islands and mouths of the little streams from the upper end of Pauchaug to the head of the great bend were noted places for salmon and shad fishing. *The name is exactly descriptive of the location.* And in this view, nothing was more natural than that the first settlers should call one of the brooks of cold, pure water, which enters the river at this point, *Salmon brook.* The name is both explanatory and commemorative.[1]

The meaning of the word Suckquakege, and its equivalents (the interchange of the consonants *M*, *N*, and *W*, as an initial was common, and the greater or less prominence of the hissing sound not unusual, and does not affect the primary signification) implies that, as used by the natives it had a limited application, viz., to the *spearing-places* near their principal village. They had other words to designate other particular localities — as was shown in the preceding chapter. But this term has been adopted by the early writers, and is the accepted general name of the country covered by the old Northfield grants; and it will be so used in these annals. Something of geographical accuracy might be gained by the introduction of new descriptive titles to the subdivisions; but usage has made the old name convenient and sufficiently clear.

However, for a full understanding of the history of the prior Indian occupation, these subdivisions need to be designated, in this connection, and some account of sectional characteristics given. For this purpose, a brief description in detail, of the face of the country as the Indians saw it, will be attempted, and the principal native settlements along the river will be pointed out. This is not always easy. Curiosity, and even honest inquiry will not be fully satisfied; but a large amount of reliable data has been gathered, which throws a pretty clear light on what has been to a considerable extent a *terra incognita.*

Some of the tribal limits, as well as the acknowledged lines between the different clans are accurately stated in the deeds of sale given to the whites, and can be more satisfactorily explained when we come to the consideration of those deeds in the next chapter. But there are other boundaries which are more or less uncertain; there are particular family possessions that are difficult to be defined and located. And there are family affinities and distinctions, depending on these boundaries, which can be only approximately determined. In numerous instances we can go upon a given spot, and say without hesitation, 'here a cluster of families of Red men lived for successive generations; this spot was their rightful home; these heapsof stones marked their tent-places — those mounds mark their graves.' But we are unable to tell whether the occupants were Squakheags or Pacomptocks, and whether this or that little stream marks the limits of ownership.

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[1] "The best place for seine fishing in the early settlement of the country, where more salmon and shad were caught than at any other point on the river for miles above and below, was a little above Rock island, near where a small stream enters the Connecticut in a meadow on the old Patterson farm. This fishing right was once owned by Jesse Lee and five others. About the year 1785 this company caught in two days 75 bushels of fish. Another company owned the fishing place at the foot of Stebbins's island (formerly Clary's). The mouths of all the small brooks in this neigborhood, and the narrow pass at Elmer's island, were famous places for *spearing salmon.* This was commonly done at night. A flaming torch was set in the bow of a canoe in which were two men, one to steer. They floated quietly down with the current, and the spear-man struck the fish as they were attracted to or blinded by the light."— *Letter of John Stebbins, Esq., of Vernon, dated April* 14, 1873.

But of one thing there is no doubt — the whole valley of the Connecticut, from Pasquamscut falls to Wanasquatok brook, was dotted with villages and family sites. Nearly every prominent bluff which had the accessories of convenient water, a dry and protected spot for erecting tents, an easily tilled and productive planting-field, and an eminence readily defensible for a look-out and fort, contains the unmistakable evidences of a longer or shorter residence by the natives. And this is especially true of all points where there are falls upon a cool brook a little way back from the river — as the foot of such falls afforded them sure fishing-ground.

The signs relied on to determine the site of an Indian village, are: 1. The presence of large quantities of domestic utensils, such as stone pestles, kettles, knives and hoes. 2. Heaps of roundish stones bearing evidence of the alternate action of fire and water, and covered with recently formed mould. Before the introduction of metal kettles, these stones were used to heat water, by being thrown red-hot into their wooden troughs. A heap of them was kept under their fire to be ready against emergency. And being cumbersome to transport, the heap was left in place, when they removed to a new location. 3. The remains of granaries or under-ground barns. These Indian granaries were of two classes, one large, the other small. Both were of similar construction, i. e., circular excavations, about five feet in depth. The larger ones were from twelve to sixteen feet across, while the small ones were only three to five feet in diameter. They were commonly dug in the sloping sides of a knoll or bank, to secure dryness, and the better to shed rain. A considerable number were set close together, in order that they might be protected from bears and other enemies by a picket. Some small ones have been found, *carefully lined with clay.* When filled with corn (on the ear), or dried fish, or nuts, they were covered with poles, and long grass, or brush and sods. 4. A burial place. This was always convenient to their dwellings. A single grave may denote accidental death; but a cluster of graves unerringly points to a cluster of wigwams. 5. A pile of stone chips, where their arrow and spear-heads were fashioned. 6. A place for a planting-field, and for a fort. A village of 150 souls would ordinarily have a field of from 12 to 16 acres, which the squaws annually planted with corn and pumpkins. After the English introduced beans from the old country, the natives cultivated them to some extent.

As will naturally occur to the reader, these indications are of a class by themselves, and are wholly independent of traditions. They are readily traced, and are more reliable than tradition. Many of them cannot be imitated; and no motives can be imagined for a counterfeit. All of them were in existence within the memory of men now living; most of them are plain to be seen at the present time.

An Indian village of considerable size stood at the southerly end of the town, on the falls of Four-mile brook. The main part appears to have been built on the north bank of the brook, and extended from above the falls to its junction with the Connecticut. In Rufus Stratton's boyhood (b. Sept. 12, 1789), things remained much as the Indians left them. Their granaries — *wigwams*, he called them — on the slope directly across the brook from the lower saw-mill, were then large holes, 12 feet across, and with the sides caved in but little. No one had meddled with them, partly because the sloping bank was of no special use, and partly because everybody had an undefined dread of the *old wigwams.* The road then ran through the mill-yard close by the bank, and right in sight of the holes; and as young Stratton drove the cows to pasture, he would "race them by" this spot, for fear of seeing Indian ghosts. When, later, the field where the village stood was plowed, the boys used to pick up the hatchets and throw them at objects for sport; and gouges and spear and arrow-heads were so plenty that no one thought them worth the trouble of picking up. The piles of round stones which marked the sites of dwellings, were looked upon only as the plague of the plow and harrow. As late as 1856, when Mr. Lyman Gilbert, the present owner, plowed this field, he found, just across the brook from his barn, a heap of arrow-heads and chips, plainly indicating a native work-shop. He also turned up, near where the granaries were, a couple of stone hoes having *the withe handles still on.* Scattered over the field were broken *aukooks* (soap-stone kettles); pieces of kettles made of clay and burnt, the outside covered with rude figures;[1] gouges, burnishing stones, etc. The planting-field appears to have been near the river, now in part taken up by the rail-road cut, as the remains of several granaries are still seen in the adjacent meadowhill.

The existence of the fire-stained stone heaps, and numerous skeletons turned up on the plain below the brook, conclusively show that a large clan made this region their home.

There is an egg-shaped bluff, a half-mile below, on Pembroke-grant brook, known as Fort hill, which may have been fortified by them; or they may have built a fort on the height of land 40 rods north of the falls. But neither was a strong position.

No mention of an Indian settlement here has been found in the early records. And the probability is that it was abandoned before the whites came to this part of the valley. All the relics and tools and other remains indicate an early occupancy. Iron utensils have not been found, to show evidence of traffic with the English.

This tract was not purchased by the white settlers, as were the lands further up the river. But this fact may not be sufficient proof for or against a cotemporaneous occupation. According to the declaration of William Clarke in 1685 (see his Petition of that date), the lands hereabouts were not of a character to attract settlers, being too broken, and without extensive natural grass meadows. Altogether, the preponderance of evidence favors the conclusion of the abandonment of the place by the Indians prior to any discovery of the territory by the English.

Passing to the north, we come to the sites of two important Indian villages, situated on opposite sides of the river. The one on the west side is known as *Natanis*. It was built partly on Grass hill and partly on the high bluffs westerly of Bennett's meadow. The remains of granaries, and the usual relics, and some skeletons, have been found near the river, a little way below the mouth of Bennett's brook. Three-fourths of a mile to the north west, on the Holton farm, were still more remarkable remains. Stone chips were found "by the bushel;" aukooks, pestles, and household utensils abounded. One of the Indian workshops was situated nearly east of the old Holton homestead, on the bluff next the meadow. And on the extreme point of this bluff, just below where the southerly branch unites with the main stream of Bennett's brook, are several small but well defined granaries. Fifty rods north west of the present house of Jona. P. Holton, on the brow of the hill where the high plain skirts the brook, are the remains of 12 large granaries, the largest about 7 feet in depth. Fifty years ago, some of the larger of these excavations were not less than 20 feet in diameter and 10 to 12 feet deep; but they are now partially (some of them completely) filled in by successive plowings. Two of them are on the slope of the hill; 6 of them are but a few feet back; and the others are scattered along a space of 5 or 6 rods. The family tradition is, that they were *deer traps;* but their peculiar location, and exact resemblance to the circular excavations, heretofore described, leave no room to doubt that they were huge granaries, used by the natives for storing corn. The main fort of the tribe must have been situated at the angular point of this bluff, 20 rods to the eastward; and the granaries were placed handy to the fort. The plain back, as well as the next terrace towards the meadow, were favorable spots for planting-fields. And on this lower terrace, was one of their burying places. When plowing down the bank, some years ago, just north of J. P. Holton's house, to lessen the grade of the road, a skeleton was discovered, buried in a sitting posture; and on digging to the bottom of the grave, there were found a pipe, some wampum, a copper tomahawk, and a rude copper spoon.

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[1] "The pots they seethe their food in, which were heretofore and yet are in use amongst some of the tribes, are made of clay or earth, almost in the form of an egg with the top taken off. The clay they are made of is very scarce and dear."— *Gookin's Hist. Collections.*

Signs of Indian lodges are found all around Bennett's meadow; and the fort on Philip's hill was in all probability once a part of a regular system of defences.

Taking these well defined remains in connection with attested facts of the early records, and the Indian deeds, the evidence is clear and conclusive, that the high plateau to the west of Bennett's meadow was the residence of *Souanaett*, a Pacomptock chieftain, who owned this part of the country. At the date of the first settlement of Northfield, it was known as Massapetot's land, from the chieftain who then held it, and who is elsewhere mentioned as a Pacomptock sachem and warrior. Sept. 9, 1673, Asogoa, the daughter of Souanaett, Massapetot, and others, sold this part of the Indian possessions, including Bennett's meadow, to parties from Northampton, who in turn sold to the Northfield grantees. (See next chapter).

SQUENATOCK. — The Indian village situated on the falls of this name, opposite Natanis, and near the junction of Miller's brook with Saw-mill brook — has a special interest to us, not only from its size and defined limits, but because our written records cover the last period of its history; and because, like its neighbor opposite, it came into possession of our fathers by purchase. And this was the point where the first white settlers began a plantation. The chieftain of this large clan was MASSEMET. It was with him and his under-chief Pammook, or Pompmohock, as he is more often called, that a bargain for land was made by Joseph Parsons and his company of explorers from Northampton, in the spring of 1671, which transaction, in all its details will be given in the next chapter.

Massemet's land extended from Merriman's brook to Coassock, or Mill brook, and took in a large tract on the west side of the river north of Bennett's meadow. He sold only that portion which lies between Mill brook and the Squenatock falls, as its north and south bounds, and extends out six miles on either side of the Connecticut.

The village was built in two parts, separated by the brooks. The southern cluster of wigwams occupied the largest part of Beers's plain; the other part was located north of the falls, covering the higher ridge of the bluff as far as the north line of the Zechariah Field home-lot.

The lower planting-field was on Cow plain; the upper one on the back side of the original Janes home-lots, now known as the Dr. Mattoon and Joshua Lyman lots. And this division of the clan may have cultivated a patch on Great meadow.

Their fort was built on the high bluff east of the Janes mill-site, between the two brooks. This was an easily defensible position, and commanded a view of the whole region. And in case of an enemy's approach from either direction, it was only the work of an hour to strike their bark covered tents, and remove to this stronghold.

One of their work-shops was on the east side of Beers's plain, nearly opposite the homestead of Thomas J. Field. Large piles of stone chips were found here a half-century ago.

The granaries of the lower village were in the slopes on both sides of Beers's plain. The major part of such as were not obliterated till within the memory of men now living, were on the easterly side of the plain, and were of the larger sort.[1]

The upper family had their granaries in the meadow hill, near their corn field. A capacious one, not less than 16 feet in diameter, was preserved till a comparatively recent date. It was on the brow of the hill, near the south line of the Zechariah Field home-lot. The soil being rather tenacious it retained its outlines perfectly. Being somewhat in the way, it was filled in by Mr. Timothy Field.

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[1] Capt. Ira Coy states that he could plainly distinguish the partially filled holes of 8 or 10 of these barns, 50 years ago. They were about 12 feet across, and were ranged in an irregular row.

The principal tribal burial place, below the brook, was at the north-west corner of Beers's plain. Fifty years ago, when the sward was destroyed and the plow began to run deeper, and the winds blew off the soil, the half-acre here was found to be full of bones. Whole and broken skeletons appeared; and the evidences that this spot had been the receptacle of the dead of successive generations were abundant. The frequent disturbance of the soil for interments was plainly one cause of its slight resistance of the wind. There was also a burying-ground on the east central part of the plain, where there is a little knoll near the site of the barns.

The families living north of the falls buried their dead on the high points of land where the Elmer house now stands, and just back of the site of the Field fort. In leveling both these spots, the earth at the depth of a few feet was largely composed of human remains.

Scattered single graves, and what may be supposed to have been a family burial place, occur in all this neighborhood. And as the Indian buried his dead close beside his dwelling, a deposit of bones clearly marks a wigwam or village-site.

A careful review of all the facts collected on this subject by the writers of this volume, shows that the place and mode of burying their dead by the Squakheags has an important significance. Ordinarily the body was put in a shallow grave, not over 3 feet in depth, and was laid at full length. Some have been found lying on the right side, and it is believed that this was a common practice with this tribe. Nothing visible marked the site of such graves. In the case of chiefs, the grave was dug about 5 feet deep, and the body placed in a sitting posture.

Enough graves have been opened to make it reasonably certain that both males and females of high rank were buried in an upright posture — the chieftain with a pile of stones above his head, and the others with only a raised mound of earth.[1]

This helps to determine the location of the chief's wigwam. In leveling off the ridge in the rear of the old Field fort, which was done in a hurry and without much observation, at least one skeleton, of the many brought to light, was observed in an upright position; and a circular pile of flat stones carefully laid in clay mortar, was struck by the spade and removed for a couple of feet in depth, when the search was given up, as those below were out of the way of the plow. The exact resemblance of this pile to others that have been carefully taken up, and the body beneath examined, leaves little room to doubt that this height of land was a chief's home — perhaps Massemet's family site.

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[1] To show the consideration paid to females of rank by the River Indians, it may be stated that the wives and daughters of chiefs were accustomed to sign the deeds, when land was sold to the whites; and peculiar honor was accorded to them in the rites of burial.

COASSOCK.—The domain of Massemet extended up to a line running east and west through the falls on Mill brook. A cluster of wigwams appears to have been placed to the south and west of the falls, reaching down to the steep hill of the first terrace. Cultivation has materially altered the face of things here; and these remains are not easily traced. Tradition locates their burial place on the flat where the old mill-house, at the lower privilege, stood.

There is good evidence that a family of high rank once lived on the west side of the river, just north of the mouth of Moose-plain brook. When the bank was excavated to make a road to the Horse-boat ferry, fifty years ago, a full sized skeleton in good preservation, was uncovered. Some years later three more skeletons were found near the same spot, and close together. These bodies were all buried in a sitting posture, facing the east, and were covered not more than three feet deep. This site was on Massemet's land, and was directly opposite Coassock.

NAWELET'S LAND.—North of Coassock up to Wanasquatok (Broad brook), the country belonged to the chieftain *Nawelet*. From the size of his possessions and the plain testimony of remains, it is evident that this tract was inhabited by a numerous and powerful tribe. Some were of gigantic stature — a skeleton measuring 6½ feet having been disinterred. They were enterprising and warlike, as is shown by their extensive planting fields, and the strength and resources of their main fort. Their utensils indicate considerable traffic with the whites. And they were undoubtedly the last of the native clans to leave the valley. Indeed they are found here in considerable numbers as late as 1720, and were then of a character to command the respect of the English settlers.

The date of sale of this extensive tract of country to the whites, was August 13, 1687. The fact that a large portion of the land had been already appropriated by the Northfield planters, is evidence that at the period of the First Settlement the tribe was living elsewhere, and had become to some extent migratory.

In the time of their sole occupancy, they had scattered encampments at different points on Pauchaughill. One was near where the highway descends to the meadow; another, and larger one, was around the falls of Pauchaug brook. They also occupied different points on Wells's plain above, as is attested by their numerous burial places.

A village of large size was located west of the river, near the present South Vernon rail road station. On the meadow hill, about 80 rods northerly of the state line, and near the old Ferry road, on land now owned by E. E. Belding Esq., are plainly to be seen the remains of above 30 Indian granaries. They belong to the small class, none of them being over 5 feet in diameter. They occupy a space 30 × 60 feet, and of course are crowded thickly together. The heights here, and still further back of Wells's plain, afforded good lookouts and hiding-places; and the upper parts of Second Moose plain were good planting grounds.

There are signs of wigwams on the knolls and hill-sides, as far up as the Patterson farm. A number of large granaries have been found on land of Lorenzo Brown Esq.: two over the ridge west of his dwelling-house; two or three about 30 rods north of the house; and a number on the slope of Meadow hill some distance to the eastward. The planting-field of these families was probably on the plain east of Mr. Brown's house.

But the chief seat of this tribe was near the Great bend of the river. The plains and knolls back of the meadows here afforded favorable sites for wigwams, and all the requirements of their mode of life. The mouths of the Ashuelot, and of Cold brook and Salmon brook, and the islands and rocks adjacent, gave them superior facilities for catching their favorite salmon in the spring; and the higher meadows, being enriched and mellowed by the annual over-flow, were easily tilled, and produced large crops of corn.

The peculiar advantages of this spot, for a permanent home, were plainly apparent to the ancestors of Nawelet. And at a later date, when King Philip and Canonchet found themselves in a strait, with a multitude of women and children to be defended and fed, no better place than this could be found. For there is no doubt that it was here — somewhere between Rock island and Pomeroy's island — where Mrs. Rowlandson found King Philip and his warriors March 9, 1676; and that these intervals, which afterwards attracted Capt. Stebbins and Ensign Stratton, were the memorable planting-fields of that fatal spring. The *ohkukes*, or stone kettles, and hatchets, and pestles, and other tools and utensils for ordinary use, were formerly abundant, and are still found, in all this neighborhood; and both upon Clary's island and the mainland, skeletons are common. Two skulls were lately turned up on the island — one of them (in 1872) had a hole in the backside as large as an ounce ball would make. The teeth were sound and white. "August 17, 1869, as Mr. George M. Lee was digging up stumps and leveling the land on his farm, about four rods from the steep bank and west of the brook, he had occasion to plow two furrows deep, and struck a loose flat stone. As it evidently did not belong there, his curiosity was excited, and on lifting it up he found others under it. With the aid of a shovel he dug up 3 or 4 bushels of small flattish stones laid round in regular order in a circle 18 inches or 2 feet in diameter. Beneath the stones, at the depth of 4½ feet, he found the remains of a large skeleton in a sitting posture, facing the north.[1] The grave had evidently been dug perpendicular for its full depth on the south end, against which the back was placed, as the prints on the earth indicated; but from the bottom an excavation was made horizontally in which the feet and legs were thrust. The large bones were entire, but crumbled soon on being exposed to the air." (*Letter of John Stebbins*). This was probably the grave of a high chieftain.

There is no distinct tradition of any Indian fort on the west side of the river near this location; though there are several eminences well suited for such defences. If they had forts here, it is probable that they were abandoned early; and that, as their most formidable enemy, the Mohawks, lived to the west, the tribe, for obvious reasons, built, later, their principal defensive works on the east side.

The tradition in regard to Fort Hill, (now in Hinsdale, N. H., though on the original Northfield purchase) as an Indian fortification and abiding-place, is familiar to all. It was naturally a position of great strength, and had all the requisites of a fort, except ready access to water. It is a steep bluff or point of the high plain, lying at the neck of the pear-shaped promontory known as Cooper's Point, and elevated about 150 feet above low water mark, and nearly 100 feet above the terrace which forms the present river-bank. In the olden time when the bed of the river was 50 feet higher than at present, the water covered what is known as the Point, and swept round the foot of Fort Hill. This old river-bottom, now the high bank, extends with varying width on three sides of the hill.

This was evidently *the Indians' strong-hold.* The spot where the fort stood commands a view (or did when the whole region was bare of trees, as was the case in Nawelet's day) of the interval lands to the north for 1½ miles, and as far to the south — embracing Pomeroy's, Clary's and Elmer's islands, the *fishing-places*, and the *planting-fields* on either side of the river. The necessity for water was provided for, by building a covered way, underground, down the easterly side, to a living spring which is just at the foot of the hill. A wide trench was cut across the narrow neck of the hill, to serve as a defence from attacks from the plain back. Henry Hooker Esq., grandson of Rev. Bunker Gay, remembers when this trench was only partially filled, being then over 4 feet in depth. The site of the fort includes about one acre of land.

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[1] It was a custom of the earliest Erse or Irish people, to bury their chief warriors facing the point where the enemy were expected to make an attack — in the belief that the dead chief still had power to resist his enemies. Did such a belief exist among our Indians — as his chief was set *facing the fort*, which was the main defensive reliance of the tribe?

All the traditions speak of strong defensive works here. It is said that heavy logs were caught, in the spring freshet, and rolled to the top of the hill, where they were bound by withes to stakes, ready to be tumbled down upon the ranks of assailants. And tradition and the records agree, that a fierce and sanguinary battle was fought here, when the Mohawks made their famous incursion in 1663 or 4. A hundred years later, when the Rev. Bunker Gay was settled as pastor of the church in Hinsdale, he found, when plowing upon his farm, which included the fort ground, three kettles, one large and two small, carefully buried, one with some corn still adhering to the inside; and he turned up many Indian skeletons on the plain near the old cemetery. Stone tools and weapons were found in abundance in the fields around.

There has existed an indistinct tradition that an Indian fort once stood at the mouth of the Ashuelot, on the Lieut. Elihu Stebbins farm. A careful examination of the location by the writers, disclosed traces of remarkable Indian remains, and the utensils and implements found only near their abiding-places. The truncated hill — which evidently was once washed on the north by the Ashuelot, and on the west by the united rivers — rises about 60 feet above the ordinary water level, and overlooks the valley to some distance below Pomeroy's island, and up to Clary's island, and the old Fort Hill. On the front the sides are steep; and a ravine cut it off from the low hills to the east, and extended round to the meadow on the south. A spring, easily accessible, comes out at the foot of the hill on the north. Tillage has essentially modified the appearance of the surface, and the ravine in the rear. The most interesting works now visible are 33 granaries, situated on the southwesterly side. They occupy an off-set, just above the line of high water, and are included in a space of 90 x 45 feet. They vary in size, from 3 to 5 and 7 feet in diameter, and as the land has been kept in grass the outlines are perfectly preserved. Some of these basin-like depressions are now from 12 to 15 inches deep. On opening one, it was found to be about 4½ feet deep, and lined with clay.

Since the above was written, a communication has been received from John M. Stebbins Esq., who was born upon the place. He states that these granaries were much deeper and more distinct 35 years ago than now. He adds — "Directly west of the old barn, on my father's farm, on the same level with the house, and in the angle made by the fence as now built, the barn, and the brow of the hill, there were in 1840, many small mounds, which my grandmother said were *Indian graves*. The land had never been plowed, except by the first settler, and the mounds were readily traced, though the surface was tolerably smooth. Two of us boys mustered courage one day, and carefully moved the turf from one of the mounds, and digging down not more than four feet struck a skull, the very thing we were digging for. We found nearly the whole skeleton — in a sitting posture — some parts considerably decayed, but the skull was in good condition, and the teeth were large and perfect. A physician who examined it pronounced it to be the skeleton of a young woman."

The mounds were only a short distance to the south-east of the granaries and fort.

The fact is handed down in the Stebbins family — who have held the property for three or four generations — that Peter (or John) Evens, who removed hither from Northfield street in 1741, planted an orchard in this old burial-ground; and that the Indians — during the wars that followed — repeatedly destroyed the trees. This would show that a peculiar sacredness was attached by the natives to this spot; and the raised mounds, and the sitting posture of the body exhumed, indicate the burial-place of a chieftain's family.[1] And it is a point of interest, to be noticed in this connection, that among the Indian relics found in the soil on this farm, *weapons* and *ornaments* predominate. Only last year (1872) a beautifully polished stone pendant, something in the shape of a carpenter's plummet, and about the size of a pullet's egg, was found here.

About 80 rods below this cluster of mounds, is another wigwam site. When the rail-road was constructed a few years since, as the workmen were excavating a cut, the earth caved in, and disclosed 13 skeletons lying close together. One of them indicated a man 6½ feet in height.

PAUCHAUG.—This famous meadow has been already noticed; but a few words in addition are in place here. From documents written by the Committee who were appointed by the General court to lay out the plantation, it appears that the name was not applied by the natives to the meadow as a whole; but either to some particular spot on or near this piece of interval, or to *some public use* to which it was devoted. According to Roger Williams (*Key*, p. 145), the Indian word *pauchauog* signifies, they are playing or dancing. And from the peculiar conformation of the land near where the brook descends from the plain, it is believed that one of the smooth knolls in this part of the meadow was the place where the two clans of Squakheags were accustomed to meet for their public games.

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[1] It has been a disputed point whether this mode of burial indicated rank, or was evidence that such graves were those of another tribe. The fact that these graves were so jealously guarded by the remnant of the Squakheags, is pretty conclusive proof in favor of high rank.

It was quite common among all the tribes, in time of peace, for two or more friendly towns to meet for competitive trials of skill and strength. They had several kinds of games. Roger Williams speaks of two of their principal amusements, viz., *arbor-playing*, and *long-house-playing*. For the former they made "an arbor of long poles set in the earth, four square, sixteen or twenty feet high, on which they hang great store of their stringed money, which one town stakes against another. Two persons, one from each town, are chosen to throw the dice, with great shouting and solemnity, and the winner takes the stake. In the latter game, they set up a house sometimes 200 feet long upon a plain, where the men and women gather by thousands. The players were the chief men of the tribe; and the play consisted mainly of dancing in the long house. When one succeeded in gaining special applause, he would distribute gifts of wampum, coats and knives among the multitude."

Besides these, "they have great meetings for foot-ball playing, early in summer, town against town, upon some shore free from stones, or some soft heathier plot, because of their naked feet, at which they have great stakings, but seldom quarrel."

A favorite game with the Squakheags was *wrestling*, in which they greatly prided themselves. This was largely practiced by them since the settling of the whites; and in some instances friendly trials of strength and prowess took place between the reds and the whites. Capt. Joseph Stebbins was more than a match for his Indian rivals; and so was one of the Strattons, as family legends tell. *Quoits* was a well known game with the natives, in which they exhibited great aptness. Their habit of striking with the club and spear, and the strength of their right arm enabled them to pitch the stone to an immense distance and with precision of aim.

FOOD OF THE INDIANS.— The natives of our valley lived mostly on ground-nuts, chestnuts, corn, pumpkins, the flesh of animals, and fish.[1] They had kettles made of soapstone, in which to boil vegetables and meats, and they contrived a kind of spit, on which to roast large pieces of meat. Fish were cooked just as they were taken from the water; birds were plucked, but not cleansed; and small animals were roasted whole, the entrails being especially esteemed. They took particular pains to protect chestnut groves from their annual fires; and there were several large tracts covered with fine bearing trees when the whites first came hither. The Chestnut mountains, and Chestnut plain, lying to the west of Hatfield, are mentioned in the earliest records. There were also chestnut mountains to the eastward of Northfield. Corn was parched and beaten fine; and sometimes was made into balls with suet. Thus prepared it was called *nokake*, and was their chief dependence in war expeditions. The raw grain was also pounded into coarse meal, and made into *samp*. After the introduction of beans by the English, they were raised by the Indians to some extent, and were boiled with green corn for summer use. Pumpkins were cut in strips and dried in the sun, after the manner of our fore-mothers, who borrowed this art from the natives. Fish when freshly caught were usually broiled on the coals. Many were split and dried in the smoke and stored. They ate the flesh of most kinds of animals and birds. This was boiled or roasted, and eaten without salt. It is not known that they dried and stored meats. They were wonderfully expert in killing game with arrows, and in capturing both larger and smaller sorts by means of drive-ways, and in rude traps and yank-ups. The latter was nothing more than a stout white oak or hickory staddle, bent over and fastened to a notch cut in another tree. The animal, when caught in the snare at the end, by struggling would loosen the catch, and the staddle would spring upright, with the game dangling in the air. Esq. Seth Field's old mare once strayed into the woods and got into a trap of this kind set for deer. The 'squire was astounded when an Indian came running breathless to tell him that "his *squaw-horse* was caught in a yank-up!"

The Indians' time for planting corn, was when the leaves of the white oak were grown *as big as a squirrel's paw*. Whoever has watched the unfolding bud of this tree, has noticed, at a certain stage, the striking resemblance between the leaf and the paw of a red squirrel.

Tobacco.--According to Roger Williams, this plant was cultivated

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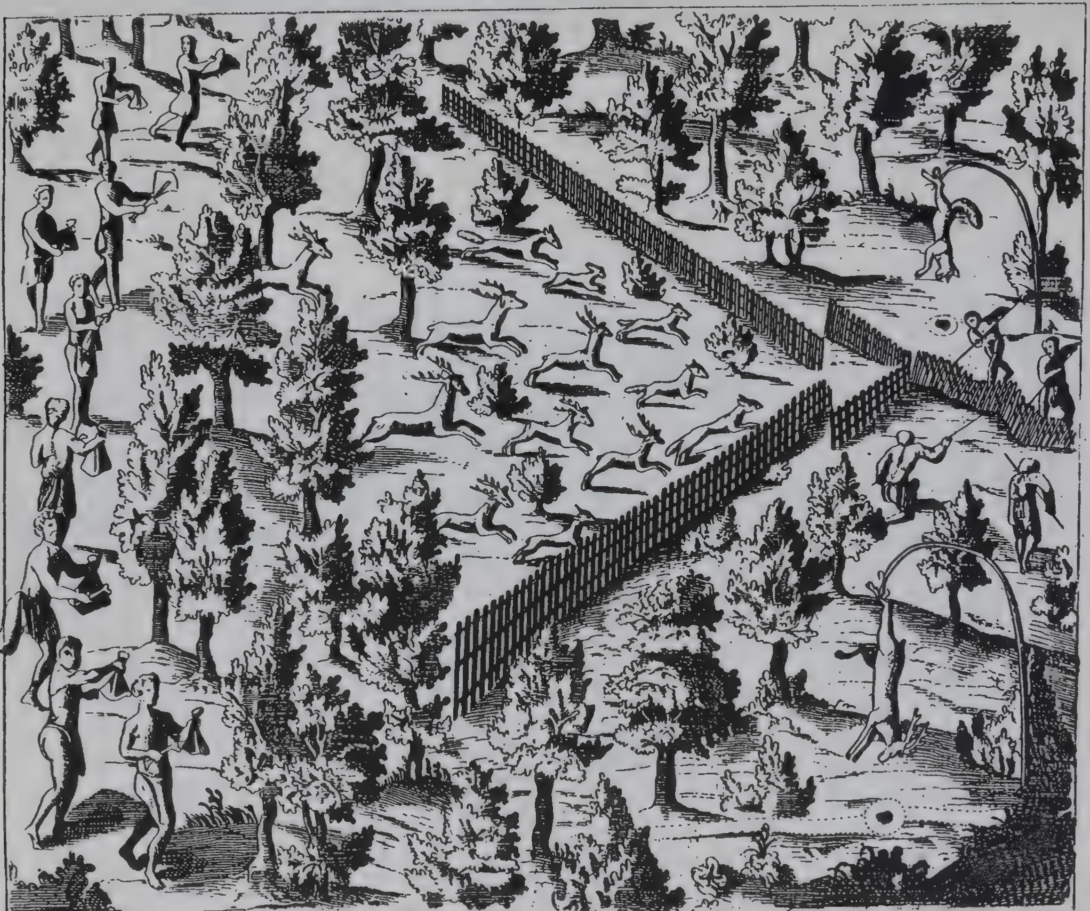
[1] "Their chief and commonest food (in the spring of the year) was ground-nuts; they also eat nuts, and acorns, harty-choaks, lily roots, ground beans, and several other weeds and roots that I know not."—*Mrs. Rowlandson.*



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INDIANS CATCHING GAME.

to a considerable extent by the natives. They called it *Ottomauck.* It was used for smoking, and one kind was steeped, and the decoction drank. It was regarded as a sacred weed, to be cultivated and used only by *the braves.* The men planted, tended, and cured this crop; (every other crop was planted and gathered and stored by the squaws) and smoked it. Women were not allowed to smoke; and it was considered odious for a boy to take the pipe, till he had made himself a name, and was entitled to sit in the council.

How early it became fashionable for Indian women to use tobacco, we are not informed. But in March, 1676, Mrs. Rowlandson writes: "I went to see King Philip; he bid me come in, and sit down; and asked me if I would smoke it? (a usual compliment now a days among saints and sinners) but this no way suited me. I remember with shame, how formerly, when I had taken two or three pipes, I was presently ready for another; such a bewitching thing it is."

Maple Sugar.— The Indians knew how to make sugar from the sap of the maple tree; though it is believed they took no pains to preserve this species — as they did the chestnut — and consequently the only large trees which escaped their fires were in the wet ravines. A lot of these old maples stood on land owned by Moses Field, south and west of Roman T. Sugar was made here by the natives before the settlement of 1714, and in the intervals of peace down to the old French war. They cut boxes in the trunk from which to gather the sap; the marks of which were visible in some trees standing there in 1805.

Religion.— The Indians were firm believers in a good and an evil Spirit, both of whom had an important agency in controlling human life and destiny. It is not known that they had any form of worship, for the good Spirit; but there was in every tribe a class of conjurers who practiced a sort of necromancy or mystic rites, with a view to propitiate the evil Spirit. In the ordinary affairs of life they seem to have felt competent to take care of themselves. But it was common before starting on any important expedition to hold *powow,* which, according to the minute description of the ceremonies given by Mrs. Rowlandson, had the double purpose of gaining the good will of the evil one, and arousing the courage of the warriors. Two medicine men had charge of the rites, which were of the nature of incantations, interspersed with wild harangue — the mystic to awe, and the eloquence to inspire. And when the auguries were all favorable, they went forth with *an assurance of success*, which, of itself, was an important element of success.

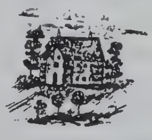
Brush mountain, which in their language would be called *Mishom-assek* — from its being the resort of a numerous colony of rattlesnakes — was held in superstitious veneration by the Squakheags. They believed that Hobamok, the evil Spirit, dwelt inside the mountain, and that the fissures in the rocks above Cold spring, where the snakes denned, were the holes through which he sent forth his hot breath and melted the snow, and made any one faint who dared to inhale the poisonous air. They had a tradition that he once in anger bellowed forth from this hiding-place and shook the earth! Partly from dread of the evil Spirit, and partly from fear of the rattlesnakes, the Indians shunned the Gulf, and the adjacent mountain sides.

CHAPTER II.

FIRST VISITS OF THE ENGLISH TO SQUAKHEAG — PURCHASE OF THE TERRITORY — DEEDS — WHAT BECAME OF THE INDIANS.

AT the date when our narrative opens, the valley here was not in its primeval condition. The whole face of nature bore the marks of a long occupancy by the Savages. But it was devastation rather than improvement. The Indians were accustomed to burn over the meadows and upland woods annually, after the fall of the leaves in autumn, by which the intervals were kept clean, and any new growth of brush and trees was destroyed. One by one the old trees would succumb to the flames, so that the uplands and hills were comparatively bare. Both timber and accessible fire-wood were scarce when the whites first settled. The wet swamps alone were heavily wooded. Men on horseback found little difficulty in crossing the dry plains in any direction. The object of the annual burning evidently was to keep the country open for travel and hunting. And the swamps and ravines, which would be flooded by the fall rains at the time of the fires, afforded a covert for many kinds of game.

But game was at this date becoming scarce. Stimulated by the offers of Mr. Pynchon, who settled at Agawam in 1636, beaver, and otter, and the more valuable fur-bearing animals, had been effectually thinned out.[1] Wolves and wild cats were less plenty than a half century later, after the custom of annually burning the forests had ceased. Deer were frightened away by the same cause, and were abundant only in the summer and early fall. And except groundnuts, fish and corn, the food of the natives had become precarious. The salmon and shad, which were then superabundant,


PYNCHON'S HOME.

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[1] As appears from their account books, the Pynchons packed and sent to England, between 1652 and 1674, 15,880 beaver skins, weighing over 23000 lbs. worth 8 shillings sterling per pound. In the same time they exported 700 otter skins, 1000 muskrat, and large quantities of fox, coon, marten, fisher, mink and wild cat skins. They also collected 426 moose skins, which weighed on an average 20 lbs. each. Deer skins were largely used for clothing both by the natives and whites.

were captured on their passage up the river in May and June, when they had high living: some were split and smoke-dried, and stored in their underground barns; but the inherent laziness and pride of the Red man prevented any system of providence for the future. His squaw was sure to plant her patch of corn and pumpkins, and he trusted to prowess and luck for the rest.

INDIAN PATHS — which were narrow trails worn by the feet in marching single file — crossed the country in various directions. One connected Squakheag and Pacomptock; and probably one extended south to Hadley. It is certain that there was a well worn trail from Squakheag to Paquayag (Athol), and thence to Wenimisset and Quaboag (Brookfield). It was by striking this trail, and following it up, that the four adventurers were led to the discovery of Massemet's country. This trail left the Indian village on Beers's plain, followed up the stream north of Beers's mountain and over the north part of Crag, where is a slight depression, crossed Great swamp not far from the present line of the highway, and so went by a direct route to near the mouth of West or Cheney's brook.

FIRST VISIT OF THE ENGLISH, 1669.— No record has been found of an exploration of the Connecticut valley north of Pasquamscut falls earlier than 1669. In May of this year, a committee, appointed by the General court, consisting of Capt. Daniel Gookin, Mr. Daniel Henchman, Capt. Thomas Prentice and Left. Richard Beers,[1] who had been impowered "to lay out a new plantation near Quinsigamond pond" (Worcester), proceeded to the north-westward to view the country. In a postscript to their report,[2] they say: "The Committee having in their journey discovered two other places beyond this (Quinsigamond) to the westward, that will make two or three towns — the one place called Pamaquesicke, lying upon the head of Chekaby river, the other place called Suckquakege upon Connecticut River: we desire the Court will order that these places be reserved to make towns, the better to strengthen those inland parts, and y^{e} laying out of particular grants prohibited in the said places." The court approved of the committee's return, and ordered "that the lands mentioned to be reserved for public use for two or three towns, be reserved for those ends."

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[1] It is a coincidence worthy of record that this man, who was among the first to see this beautiful and fertile tract, should be one of the first white men — perhaps *the very first* — to be buried in its soil. And it is not unlikely that his grave is very near the spot whence he caught a first look of the site of the town.

[2] *Mass. Records*, vol. IV, pt. II, p. 436.

1670.—The next year, a party from Northampton, consisting as near as can be ascertained, of Joseph Parsons Sen., Mr. William Janes, George Alexander and Micah Mudge, "went upon discovery" of the place, examined the location with care, and ascertained that the native claimants were ready and anxious to sell the tract.

As the best lands in this region were becoming rapidly absorbed by grantees and settlers from the Bay, and as the people of Northampton and Hadley were already "straitened for room" (!), little time was lost in bargaining for the new country. Early in the spring of 1671, the persons above mentioned, with Caleb Pomeroy and perhaps others, went up and consummated the purchase. The deed conveyed to Joseph Parsons Sen. "for a valuable consideration, a tract of land lying on both sides of the Great River, which is thus bounded—The Northerly end at Coassock, the Southerly end on the east side of the Great River down to Quanatock, at southerly end on the west side of the Great River butting against Masapetot's land, and so running six miles into the woods on both sides of the River." This deed was signed by Massemet, Panoot, Pammook, Nenepownam his squaw, Wompely and Nessacoscom.

The tract here conveyed, covered the original (and present) town-plot of Northfield, and contained in all 10,560 acres. It appears that full payment was not made at this time, and a mortgage was given to the Indians as security for the balance, as is stated in the deed bearing date May 24, 1686, where it will also appear that an additional sum was paid to satisfy this original claim. This first deed was taken before any settlement was attempted.

The second purchase by the English was made after the plantation was begun. It comprised about 3,000 acres of land belonging to a Pacomptock sachem, lying wholly on the west side of the river. "This deed made the 9th 7th 1673 (Sept. 9, 1673), between Joseph Parsons Sen. and William Clarke both of Northampton in the county of Hampshire, of the one party, and Asogoa the daughter of Souanaett who was the true and proper owner of that parcel of land at Squakheag on the west side of the River called by the Indians Nallahamcomgon or Natanas, and Mashepetot, and Kisquando, pampatekemo a squaw which is Mashepetot's daughter—these four Indians above named on the other party, *Witnesseth*, that for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred fathoms of wampumpek in hand paid by the above said Joseph Parsons and William Clarke, we the aforesaid Indians * * have granted and sold * * all that parcel of land lying at Squakheag, called by the Indians Nallahamcomgon, and is bounded with the Great River on the easterly side, on the westerly side a great ledge of hills six miles from the Great River, on the southerly to a brook called by the Indians Nallahamcomgo [Bennett's brook] and so straight into the woods, on the north to [ ] that land that was Massemett's land. * *" This deed was signed by the four Indians, and witnessed by Timothy Baker, Sarah Clarke: and the premises were assigned "by Wm. Clarke to the inhabitants of Squakheag," June 15, 1675.

These two tracts comprise the territory of the town during the First Settlement.

After the resettlement of Squakheag in 1685, some difficulty seems to have arisen between the proprietors and Massemet, about the payment for the land bought of him in 1671. And to remove all cause of dissatisfaction and gain a clear title, a new deed was executed, covering the same territory. As this new deed contains some curious and important facts, which have a peculiar historical value, it is here inserted in full.

That whereas Maſsemet, Panoot, Pammook, Nenepownam his ſquaw, Wompely and Neſacoſcom, that whereas theſe ſix Indians on the one party have made ſale of a parcel of land at Northfield, and Joſeph Parſons Sen. on the other party, for a valuable conſideration have ſold to Joſeph Parſons agent for Northfield, a tract of land lying on both ſides of the Great River, which is thus bounded — the Northerly end at Coaſsock, the ſoutherly end on the eaſt ſide of the Great River down to Quanatock, at ſoutherly end on the weſt ſide of the Great River butting againſt Maſapetot's land, and ſo running ſix miles into the woods on both ſides of the Great River,— this tract of land above expreſsed they have ſold, as doth appear both by a deed and a mortgage bearing date in the year 1671; and in conſideration that ſome of the Indians have ſaid that they have not had full ſatisfaction for this tract of land; and *Therefore*, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that Micah Mudge Cornelius Merry and John Lyman, for the reſt of the inhabitants of Northfield, have agreed with the Indians for the further confirmation of this tract of land above expreſsed by giving a new deed unto the afore mentioned buyors, upon conſideration of twelve pounds already received, we the Indians under wrote do acquit and diſcharge the aforeſaid Micah Mudge Cornelius Merry and John Lyman and their heirs forever of the above ſaid ſum of twelve pounds:— the names of thoſe Indians who have received this pay are as followeth, Mequenichon, Mannuſquis, Maſemet, Quankquelup, Couwah, Pompmohock, Colecoph.—It is further agreed by the parties above ſaid that the Indians do further ratify ſell and confirm alienate and formally paſs over unto Micah Mudge Cornelius Merry and John Lyman in behalf of the company, to them and their heirs, adminiſtrators and executors, all these parcels of land as it is hereafter bounded, viz., The ſoutherly end butting upon a brook called Squenatock and ſo running ſix miles into the woods on each ſide of the River, and ſo running up to the new fort on the ſouth ſide of a river which comes into the Great River called Cowas, all which is as here bounded, with all the privileges, benefits advantages commodities and appurtenances thereon and thereunto belonging, and at the time of the ſale hereof that the aforementioned Indians were the proper owners of the premiſes, and that this land is free from all former bargains, ſales, right, title, inheritance or incumbrance whatsoever; and that the above ſaid Micah Mudge Cornelius Merry and John Lyman as they were actors in behalf of themſelves and the company; and that they their heirs executors adminiſtrators ſhall HAVE AND HOLD poſseſs and enjoy peaceably and quietly without any moleſtation from by through or under us or our heirs executors adminiſtrators or aſsigns or any other claim by any other perſon or perſons whatſoever: And further we engage to acknowledge this to be our act and deed before authority when called thereunto, and what further may be neceſsary to confirm this our act and deed of ſale that we will readily and cheerfully do it;—and for the confirmation hereof, the ſaid Mequenichon, Mannuſquis, Maſemet, Quankquelup, Couwah, Pompmohock, Colecoph have hereunto ſet our hands and ſeals the 24th day of May in the year 1686.

Neuque	his mark	& ſeal.
Bomohhots	"	"
Masemet	"	"
Kenew	"	"
Woowhenet	"	"
Chonchquegon	"	"
Whenonkca	"	"

Signed ſealed and delivered in preſence of
William Clarke Sen.
Caleb Pumery
Ebenezer Pumery
Ebenezer Miller
Benoni Jons

We that are witneſses ſaw the ſame Indians mentioned in the Deed ſet their marks hereunto, although their names are not alike ſpelled by reaſon that it was one of the Indians that did write ſome of them; but they did all own their names as they are in the Deed and ſet to their ſeals. *Memorandum*, that there was formerly as they acknowledge and own before witneſs, a peaceable poſseſsion was given to the agent of Squakeheag, which was Joſeph Parſons Sen. by Maſemet and Pompmohock, which were the two Indians which gave the agent poſseſsion of this land above expreſsed—as witneſs William Janes and Micah Mudge, and Peter Jethro.—George Alexander ſaw Maſemet and Pompmohock give poſseſsion of the land above mentioned to Joſeph Parſons Sen."[1]

1687.—The third and last purchase of land from the Indians was made the next year. The tract comprises the larger part of old Squakheag, besides a wide strip on both the east and west which was not included in the township. This was Nawelet's country, and contained not far from 65,000 acres. The deed is dated August 13,

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[1] *Giving possession of land.* "The Indian owners, in token of the premises gave me a handful of the earth *in the presence* of witnesses." *Mass. Archives*, cxxix, 160.

1687, running to William Clarke Sen. and John King Sen. agents for the proprietors of Northfield.

To all chriſtian people to whom theſe preſents ſhall come, KNOW YE, that Nawelet, Gongequa, Aſpiambemett, Haddarawanſet, Meganichcha, wee the Indians mentioned, and for good conſideration moving us hereunto, and in particular in conſideration of the ſum of forty five pounds in trade goods all ready in hand paid or ſecured to ſatiſfaction, the ſaid Indians above expreſsed doe for themſelves their heirs executors * * give grant bargain and ſell, and by theſe preſents firmly paſs over a certain parcel of land lying in the bounds of Northfield unto William Clarke Sen. and John King Sen. both of Northampton, being agents for the proprietors of Northfield, which is bounded as followeth: viz. ſoutherly againſt a river called Cowas being on the eaſt ſide of the Great River and ſoe running directly over the Great River: the northerly ſide running to a river on the weſt ſide of the Great River called Wanaſcatok, lying twelve miles wide ſix miles wide on each ſide of the Great River; with all the privileges benefits advantages commodities and apurtenances thereon and thereunto belonging * * *

Witneſſes:	Signed by NAWELET
Jonathan Hunt	GONGEQUA
Preſerved Clap	ASPIAMBEMET
Wm. Clarke Jun.	HADDARAWANSETT
Peter Jethro[1]	MEGANICHCHA
Joſeph Atherton	
Iſaac Chauncey	

Having thus disposed of their heritage, without reservation, the inquiry naturally arises, *What became of the Indians?* Although it will anticipate somewhat the succession of events, an answer in outline will be given.

It seems to have been understood by the natives, that the coming in of the whites would be a protection to them against their old enemies the Mohawks; and though our Indians made no reservations of rights, they returned at their pleasure to their old quarters, and reset their wigwams. They were not much in the way of the first planters, and were entirely friendly, and brought in peltry for barter; and it is the pretty authentic tradition that our people made a "good thing" of the traffic. A knife, or a kettle, or a gun, or a pint of rum — though forbidden by law to be sold to the natives — would command a most valuable consideration in furs and skins.

This first period of friendly intercourse was, however, very brief.

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[1] Peter Jethro was an Indian of the Natick tribe, whose father lived on Nobscut hill in Framingham. He was pretty well educated and often acted as scribe in preparing and executing deeds of Indian lands.

The Indians suddenly disappeared about the time of the Brookfield fight (Aug. 2, 1675). There are reasons for believing that they went to Paquayag, and perhaps to Wenimisset,[1] which was a common rendezvous of the savages at this time. King Philip, after he came into this neighborhood, made efforts to unite all these clans in his interest. And though he was not present at any encounter with the whites, it is evident that his influence was a stimulant. There were among our River Indians several survivors of the expedition against Uncas in 1657, and the later expedition against the Mohawks, who were capable of planning and executing the boldest raids; and in whom enough of the old fire still slumbered, to make them ambitious of the glory of success.

There is little doubt that the party who attacked this town Sept. 2d, and fought Capt. Beers two days afterwards, were former residents, who had left their women and children somewhere to the eastward.[2]

After the abandonment of Squakheag by the settlers, the Indians returned in a body, and made this their head-quarters for the remainder of the season.

On his route to the Mohawk country, late in the fall (1675), King Philip and his party passed through this town, and made a brief halt. Provisions were plenty — the result of their captures here and at Deerfield. He returned about the middle of February; and was encamped on the bluff known as Philip's hill, and higher up the river on the site of Nawelet's upper village, till about the 10th of April.

Having made arrangements to plant the old corn-fields below the Great bend, for a future supply,[3] Philip and his band departed for Mount Hope. Some of the young warriors of our tribe may have gone with him; but they soon returned, as will appear in the sequel.

The squaws planted large fields of corn; and as soon as the fishing season came on, the great multitude now gathered here, natives and strangers, were busy in catching and drying shad and salmon, and storing them in their underground barns.

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[1] "Wenimisset, or Meminimisset, was part of a tract of land which is now in New Braintree, about 8 miles from West Brookfield, and has Ware river on the north, the meadow or swamp in which Meminimisset brook flows on the west and south, and the same low swampy land on most of the east side. The road from Hardwick to New Braintree crosses it" *(Sylvester Judd)*.—King Philip and about 40 men, besides women and children, joined the Nipnet Indians at this place, on the 5th of August, 1675.— Here Mrs. Rowlandson's child died, Friday, Feb. 18, 1676.

[2] As will appear in the account of Beers's fight, these Indians were aided, and perhaps led by the chiefs of the Nashaways.

[3] When we were at this place (near the mouth of the Ashuelot) my master's maid came home; she had been gone 3 weeks into the Narraganset country to fetch corn, where they had stored some in the ground; she bro't home about a peck and a half" (*Mrs. Rowlandson's Narrative*).— About the 20th of March, Canonchet the Narraganset chief, who had been

But the Indians did not gather their corn harvest. Prosperity made them careless; and the tide soon turned. The disasters they suffered at the Falls below, in the well known onslaught of the 19th of May, and other defeats which came in rapid succession, broke up their home; and for a second time, they disappear from our valley. The defeat they suffered at the hands of the Mohawks in 1663 had a more direct effect to break their power *as a tribe;* the defeats they now suffered at the hands of the whites broke their power *as a race.* After the former they sought an alliance with the English; now they seek and form an alliance with the French, with whom their subsequent history becomes closely indentified.

Near this date, the River Indians appear to have separated into two parties, one of which went to the westward, and the other to the northward. Those that went west were mainly Pacomptocks, and became eventually connected with the Scagkooks.[1] They were in general nominally friendly to the English, and often rendered them essential services. Those that went north were mainly Squakheags. At one time they were acting with the Pennacooks;[2] at others they were in league with the St. Francis of Canada — perhaps became a component part of this tribe. They were always hostile to those of their own race that settled above Albany, and were ready for any opportunity to ravage the English settlements. Gov. Andros, writing April 1677, says: "The River Indians had fled, some to Canada, and the rest scattered among the tribes."— In the attack on Hatfield Sept. 19, 1677, the assailants were recognized as "the old enemy and former neighbors, who had fled to the French about Quebec, and were lately come from thence."

The Squakheags however maintained the title to their old possessions, and their leading men were here in 1686 and 7, as appears from the deeds executed in those years. And they showed a consciousness of power, in exacting additional pay for land previously sold for less than its value; and in the greatly advanced rates which

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here with Philip for several weeks, proposed that they should plant the meadows on the west side of the river — Nawelet's ground — with corn. As the seed must be got at Seaconk, the adventure was a hazardous one, and all the young warriors refused to go for it. Canochet himself then offered to undertake the journey, and went with 30 followers. He was betrayed to the whites, captured, and executed. But plenty of seed-corn was obtained from some quarter.

[1] "Scagkook, 20 miles from Albany. The Indians there had fled from New England in y^{e} war times." *(N. Y. Colonial Doc.,* III.*)*

[2] *Drake's Hubbard,* II, 248.

they charged for the northerly tract. Perhaps at one time some of them lived at the Coasset, which is now Newbury, Vt. And some of them always lingered in this region, and hunted and fished, and "waited their opportunity." In the interim between 1690 and 1714 the country was open to them; and when the English resettled Northfield in the latter year, the natives were quietly occupying several convenient points. In 1720 Zechariah Field bought of Pompanoot, "son and heir to Wawelet," for £12, "a large tract of land lying upon Miller's river at a place called Paquayag, of the contents of about 30,000 acres, which land the said Pompanoot received as *a gift* from his honored father Wawelet."[1] The name of this Indian often appears in connection with our town affairs. In Ebenezer Field's Account Book (1721–3), are many charges like the following:

" Mar. 1722.	To mending Pompanoot's gun		4	shillings.
	To 2 steel traps and mending a gun-lock for the Indians,	£1	5	0
	To my wife's making an Indian shirt,		8	pence.
	To doing work for the Indians on your [his brother Zechariah's] acct.		16	shillings."

This shows the relation of the two races in time of peace. When war broke out the Indian was ready to use his repaired gun and his knowledge of the white man's ways, for his destruction. Aaron Belding recognized an old acquaintance in the Indian who scalped him.

Single families camped through the season — perhaps for a series of years — in some secluded spot; and straggling parties were wandering round during the warm weather. The men were sometimes hired by the farmers to assist them in certain kinds of labor. The squaws were skilled in making light baskets and peeled brooms, which they peddled by sale or barter.

An Indian by the name of Jack, lived and died on a hill directly east of the present house of Calvin Priest; and the hill and the stream running near it are known to this day as Jack's hill, and Jack's brook.

Old Keeup, as he is named in early deeds, lived farther to the east, on what is now the home place of John Delva. Keeup's hill, where his cabin was, and Keeup's brook, still commemorate the Indian and his dwelling-place.

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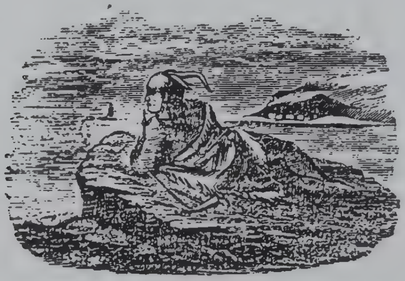
[1] *Mass. Archives*, XLVI, 53.

An Indian cabin stood on the top of Meadow hill, westerly of the cemetery, above what is known as Stratton hollow. The Indian died and the cabin was taken down by Eleazar Stratton who owned the land, soon after the American revolution.

A family belonging to Masemet's clan were accustomed to make their home on "Wigwam," south-easterly from the Capt. Merriman place, and to tap the maple trees for sugar, as narrated in the preceding chapter. The descendants of this family are remembered by some now living. One of them — and the last Indian of the tribe, so far as is known — made regular annual or biennial visits to Northfield, till he became very decrepit. His statement was that he came from Canada. During his stay of a few days he often made Capt. Merriman's premises his lodging place, whence he would stroll to Beers's plain, and other localities once occupied by his ancestors. At his visit in 1828 or '29, he fell and injured his head, and the wound was dressed by Dr. M. S. Mead, then just settled in town as a physician. When sufficiently recovered, the old man departed for the north, and was seen no more!

An Indian and his squaw by the name of Kobin — apparently full blood — resided for a few years, about 1825, just below Four-mile brook, where they raised a family.



CHAPTER III.

Squakheag — The First Settlement, covering the Period from 1671 to 1675.

The Petition and Petitioners — Action of the General Court — Committee to order Prudentials — List of Engagers — Orders for Settling — Town Bounds — Town Plot — The Town Built — The Meeting-Oak — Home Lots — First Crops planted — List of actual Settlers — The Beginning of Indian Hostilities — Attack of Sept. 2, 1675 — Beers's Fight — Beers's Grave — List of Killed — The Town deserted — The Indians take Possession.

THE founding of a new plantation by a small colony, on a frontier so far from help, was a bold push. None but earnest, devoted, brave men and women would have taken the perilous step. Deerfield, the nearest English settlement, was planted only two years before; was yet feeble; was 16 miles distant, and inter-communication was difficult. Hadley, to which they must look for aid in case of need, was 30 miles away. In other directions, Brookfield was 45 miles, Lancaster was 60, and Groton was 65 miles. All within this wide circle was wilderness.

The motives and hopes which actuated the pioneers in this settlement, are best learned from their own declarations, which are fully set forth in the petitions and agreements copied at length in this chapter.

1671.—Having made a bargain with the Indians for the land — as already narrated — the movers for the plantation sent the following petition to the General court:

To the Right Hon^{bl} and much Hon^{d} Gen^{ll} Court of Maſsachuſetts held at Boſton 31° of the 3 mo. [May 31] 1671

Right Hon^{bl} and much Honoured in the Lord

Your humble Petitioners being by the good providence of God under your care government and protection, and having by the good hand of God in a ſingular manner enjoyed the ſame for a long time in peace (to the praiſe of His rich grace), The conſideration of ſuch ſignal mercy ſhould be a forſeible spurr and ſtrong motive to quicken us to ſincere obedience and hearty thankfulneſs to the God of Peace, whoſe free love and good pleaſure in Jeſus Chriſt is the fountain of all our good and comfort.—

Right Hon^{bl} and much Hon^{d}

Your humble Petitioners are unfeignedly deſirous (if it may pleaſe the Lord to incline your ſpirits to look towards us with a favorable aſpect) to continue under your government. We conceive there is a great duty incumbent uppon all that fear God, to conſider, project and endeavour how they may promote Chriſt's Kingdom in order to poſterity; but finding ourſelves in a great meaſure ſtraightened, and not in a capacity to attend that great work and duty unleſs we remove to ſome other place, which doth occaſion us to make our humble addreſs to this Honourable Aſsembly for help and ſupply. The places that our eyes are uppon (though it be uncoth remote and we conceive attended with many difficulties) yet ſeeing God in His providence has cauſed the Indians to deſert thoſe places called by the Indians Squawquegue and Wiſsquawquegue: And it is reported that they are reſolved to ſell the ſame either to Engliſh or French; we conceive it would be uncomfortable if that ſuch a people ſhould have any intereſt there: And thoſe that went uppon diſcovery affirmed that the want of inhabitants to burn the meadows and woods, whereuppon the underwoods increaſe, which will be very prejudiciall to thoſe that ſhall come to inhabit, and the longer the worſe.

Right Hon^{bl} and much honoured: We are loath to be tedious in multiplying arguments, but deſire to be as compendious as may be to ſignify our humble deſires to your Worſhips, that we may have liberty and incouragement to purchaſe a Plantation. And if it ſhall pleaſe the Lord to incline this Hon^{bl} Court to grant our humble requeſt, and appoint a Committee to tranſact and order the ſame, we shall acknowledge ourſelves much obliged to your Worſhips; and ſhall as is our bounden duty (with the help and aſsiſtance of God) lift up our hearts to the Lord Jeſus the mighty Councellor, that he would be preſent with you to fill you with a ſpirit of wiſdom courage and the fear of the Lord, and that he would guide you in all your weighty occaſions, conſultations, adminiſtrations and concluſions, ſoe that his great Name may be glorified, and that truth Righteouſneſs tranquility and Peace may flow down as a mighty ſtream throughout the Colony.

which is the earneſt prayer of
your humble ſuppliants.

John Lyman
William Hulburd
Richard Lyman
George Alexander
Samuel Wright
Joseph Dickinson
Isaac Sheldon
Richard Weller
Ralph Hutchinson
Robert Lyman
William Jeanes
William Smeade
John Hannum
John Allin
William Hannum
John Searle
Judah Wright
Joshua Pumery
Matthew Clesson
Joseph Kellogg
Thomas Root Sen.
Samuel Allen
Joseph Jeanes
John Stebbins Sen.
Alexander Alvard
Micah Mudge
Abel Jeanes
Richard Montague
William Miller
Thomas Webster
Thomas Bascom
George Langton
John Root."

Of these 33 petitioners, all but three, viz: Thomas Webster, Joseph Kellogg and Richard Montague (who were of Hadley), appear to have been residents of Northampton. Some of them were young men who had gained no legal settlement there. And many of the names never appear in the Northfield records.

This petition was referred to a committee who reported June 8, 1671, as follows:

> "The Committee conceive y^e petitioners may have a tract of land for a Plantation where they move for it, and liberty to purchaſe y^e ſame of y^e Indians, provided y^t if y^e lands there be ſufficient to make two Plantations, as we underſtand it is probable they may; they be then apportioned, accordingly, and y^e Petitioners who firſt appear to have liberty to chooſe on which to ſettle y^m ſelves: where they ſhall have a tract of Land to y^e contents of ſeven miles ſquare for a Townſhip. *Provided* twenty families be ſettled on y^e place wthin four years time, and y^t they procure y^m a godly and orthodox miniſter. And that one mile ſquare wthin ſaid tract be laid out for y^e General Court or Country uſe by y^e Committee aforeſaid. And y^e affairs of this Plantation, receiving inhabitants, granting lands, and ordering all y^e prudentialls of y^e ſame to be arranged by Lieut. William Clarke Lieut. Samuel Smith and Cornet William Allys, or any two of y^m, who are hereby impowered a Committee for y^t purpoſe till this Court ſhall otherwiſe order; and y^e charge of y^e Committee to be defrayed by y^e Petitioners.
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> June 8, 1671.
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> John Pynchon
> Henry Bartholomew
> Joshua Hobart
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> The Deputys approve of the return of the Committee in anſwer hereunto.
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> William Torrey, Clerk.
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> The Magiſtrates conſent not hereto.
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> Edw. Rawson, Secretary.

This refusal of consent on the part of the Magistrates — for what reason does not appear — frustrated the plans for a settlement of Squakheag this year, though the petitioners had secured the land of the Indians, as before narrated. It is not unlikely that some of the Magistrates hoped to secure grants in the rich meadows for themselves, as had previously happened at Hatfield, and subsequently happened at Northfield, as will appear by and by.

The next spring — 1672 — the petitioners renewed their application to the General court, and with better success.

> "In anſwer to the petition of ſeveral the inhabitants of Northampton and other towns, the Magiſtrates judge meet to declare their readineſs to grant the petitioners and their aſsociates a convenient quantity of land at Squawkeage for a village, *Provided* there be twenty able and honeſt perſons, houſeholders do,

appear, ſuch as this Court ſhall approve, of that ſhall give their names to Major Pynchon to be preſented to the next General Court, with ingagement under their hands that they will ſettle upon the place not leſs than twenty families within eighteen months after the grant, and will then alſo appoint the quantity of land for that end, and alſo appoint a Committee to order that affair ; *Provided always*, that the perſons that ingage to erect this village take due care to provide and maintain the preaching of the word and ordinances of God amongſt them. And the Court do alſo order that there be a farm of 300 acres of land reſerved for the Country in ſuch a fit and convenient place in that village as the committee of this Court ſhall chooſe : ffurther, if the petitioners find a convenient opportunity in the interim to purchaſe the Indian title to theſe lands, the Court do declare that nothing herein is intended to implead the ſame.

The Deputys conſent hereto, provided, that if the petitioners do buy the land, it ſhall be the Country's except they perform the conditions of the Grant.

William Torrey, Clerk.

Conſented to by the Mag^{sts}, Edw. Rawson, Sec^{y} May 15, 1672.

"The names of thoſe that preſented their names to Major Pynchon to be preſented to the Hon^{d} General Court, who ingaged to do their indeavour to attend the conditions of the grant :—

Elder John Strong
Joseph Parsons Sen.
Samuel Wright Sen.
Joseph Dickinson
George Alexander
Thomas Bascom
Robert Limon
Thomas Root Sen.
William Jeanes
William Hurlburt
Nath^{l} Phelps Sen.
William Miller Sen.
Isaac Sheldon
Matthew Clesson
Joshua Pumery
John Alexander
Cornelius Merry
William Smead
Richard Weller
John Kilburn of Wetherſfield
John Hilyer
Micah Mudge
Ralph Hutchinson"

At Seſsion of the General Court, *Oct.* 11, 1672.

"Whereas ſeveral perſons from Northampton and other places have preſented their names to Major John Pynchon, according to an order of this Court dated May 15, 1672, the liſt whereof he hath returned to this court and is on file, whereby they ingage themſelves to ſettle a village at Squakeake upon Connecticut River above Hadley, according to proviſions and conditions expreſsed in the ſaid order ; This Court, conſidering the premiſes, do grant unto the ſaid perſons and ſuch others as ſhall join with them in making the ſaid village, ſuch a tract of land in the ſaid places as ſhall amount to the contents of ſix miles ſquare : *Provided*, it be not laid out above eight miles in length by the River ſides ; And do appoint and impower Lieut. William Clarke William Holton Lieut. Samuel Smith Cornet William Allys and Isaac Graves, or any three of them, to be a Committee for to lay out the ſaid plantation, and to lay out a farm of 300 acres of upland and meadow in ſome convenient place there near the town for the uſe of the Country ; to admit inhabitants ; to grant lots ; and order all the prudentiall affairs of the ſaid village ; and all at the charge of the ſaid undertakers ; and to take ſpecial care that a godly preacher be placed there as ſoon as there is twenty families ſettled ; and this power of the Committee is to continue until this Court take further order."

Under this appointment three of the Committee, viz., Clarke, Allis, and Graves, went up to Squakehege, probably in the fall of 1672, "with two of the engagers," and laid out the township. "We appointed and ordered a little brook called Natanis on the west side of the Great River to be the bounds at the southerly end ; then we measured about eight miles up the River to a little river that runs into the Great River, and appointed it to run westerly three quarters of a mile from the Great River : On the east side of the River to come to the lower end of the Three Little meadows that are below the town's plot, and so to run up the River eight miles, and three miles and three quarters easterly from the Great River."

Having laid out the township, the Committee "agreed to make the following orders for the settling of the inhabitants," viz :

1. That all thoſe that have land granted there ſhall be there at the place with their familys according to the time prefixed and ſet by the Court, i e 18 months from the date of the Court's grant to the inhabitants.

2. That whereas ſome perſons might go thither and tarry there ſo little and ſhort a time as may fruſtrate and retard and hinder the work intended by the Court, viz. the ſettling of a Plantation ; and alſo detriment and damage to thoſe that ſhall ſettle there, we do therefore order that all thoſe that take up land at Squakehege ſhall build upon it and continue in their own perſons and familys, if they be ſuch as have familys, but if not in their own perſons for the ſpace of four years from the time of their familys coming thither; otherwiſe their land to fall into the hands of thoſe that ſhall have power to diſpoſe of it to others — except in caſe of death or ſome other inevitable Providence, in ſuch caſes to remain to the heirs of ſuch perſons.

3. That every perſon that ſhall take up land there ſhall be liable to bear all equal charges according to the number of acres each man hath there, as purchaſe money, and all other public charges except Country Rates.

4. That all that have land in any Common cornfield or meadow ſhall make good and ſufficient fence, according to his due proportion for what land he hath in the ſaid field or meadow.

5. And it is further ordered, that there ſhall be a convenient lot laid out for a Miniſter, both home-lot and meadow.

6. That no inhabitant be received into the Plantation without the approbation of three of the Committee and the major part of the Company, till this Committee's power be ended."

The township as first laid out by the Committee had little resemblance to the Northfield of to-day. It was somewhat irregular in shape, and contained considerably more than the authorized thirty-six square miles. On the west side of the river it extended from Bennett's brook to Broad brook, with a width of only ¾ of a mile. On the east side of the river, the south line was placed about one mile lower down than on the west side, which would bring the north line on the east side, to Ash-swamp brook, afterwards the site of Hinsdell's fort. This was commonly regarded the line, till the survey of Timothy Dwight, Esq., in 1720, carried it down about ¼ of a mile. The width on the east side of the river was 3¾ miles.

This tract, thus bounded, comprised all the valuable (as qualities were then estimated) interval and meadow lands on both sides of the river. Plain lands, such as lay west of the three-quarter mile limit, were then reckoned nearly worthless; and the "hill country" to the east, was of account only for wood, and as pasturage for their cattle.

The town plot or village site, was laid out at the southerly end of what is now known as Northfield street. The reason why the first comers *pitched* here was, because the land hereabouts was freer from obstructions, having been in part previously broken up and cultivated by the Indian squaws. And this point was near the only open path to the Great meadow, where they must raise their grass and grain crops.

It appears that twenty home-lots were marked off at the outset, sixteen on the west and four on the east side of the street. These lots were twenty rods in width, and were intended to contain 7½ acres. Only sixteen of these lots, however, were taken up by actual settlers. The list of heads of families, who put up dwellings here in this First Settlement, is as follows:— Ralph Hutchinson, Elder William Janes, Robert Lyman, Cornelius Merry, John Hilyard, Joseph Dickinson, Micah Mudge, John Alexander, George Alexander, Samuel Wright, Thomas Webster, who had lots on the west side of the street, which they or their heirs held in the Second Settlement, as represented in the diagram accompanying the next chapter: William Miller and William Clarke had lots on the east side of the street, but the latter did not take possession. Joseph Parsons appears to have taken a home-lot; but was represented here by a substitute. Thomas Bascom, William Smeade, and William Hurlburt or Thomas Root Jr. came with the others, but it is not known where they pitched. James Bennett probably became a resident in the spring of 1675, and may have settled on the lot next north of Elder Janes.

At the time the home-lots were assigned, Great meadow and

Pauchaug were each divided among the settlers. No other lands were apportioned to the inhabitants during the First Occupation. The swamps, which were the only woodlands, were held in common, and pasturage was free to all.

THE TOWN BUILT.—The following statement, prepared by Rev. John Hubbard, second pastor of the church, and published in vol. II of the *Massachusetts Historical Society's Collections*, contains the substance of what is known of the exact date of the first coming on of the inhabitants, and how they built. "In (the spring of) 1673 settlers came on, planted down near one to another, built small huts, covered them with thatch, and near their centre made one for public worship and employed Elder William Janes as their preacher; also ran a stockade and fort around a number of what they called houses, to which they might repair in case they were attacked by the enemy."

From this it appears that only a few of the settlers built on their home-lots. The evidence is conclusive that the majority of the buildings were set close together in a quadrangular space, covering perhaps 30 by 40 rods, which was surrounded by a stockade or line of pickets. These pickets were cleft posts ten feet long, set close together in the ground to the depth of two feet. A railing ran round near the top to which each post was pinned. Such a fence was both arrow and bullet proof; and no record is found — except in one instance at Northampton — where Indians ventured inside of such an inclosure.

From a variety of incidental circumstances, it is believed that this cluster of huts stood near where the Zechariah Field fort was built in the Last Settlement. This was the height of land; was suited both for defence and watching; and was convenient to the meadow road. The huts themselves must have been built of logs, or rude frames covered with clap-boards. These clap-boards, or cleft-boards, were split from oak *bolts*, or cuts, were 5 to 7 feet long, 8 to 10 inches wide, and about 1½ inches thick on the back. They were laid lapping, and made a durable and tolerably tight covering. This style of boarding was used after regularly framed houses were erected. As late as 1763, when Capt. Joseph Stebbins, Ensign Samuel Stratton, and Col. Eleazar Patterson, built on the west side of the river (in what is now Vernon), they covered in their houses with rived clap-boards like those above described.[1] The thatch used in covering the roof was nothing more than the native grass which grew in the meadows. An old writer says, "this meadow grass was very rank; if let alone it grew *up to a man's face.*"

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[1] Letter of John Stebbins.

Rev. Mr. Hubbard states that the early settlers had "a meeting house." It is a well authenticated tradition that Elder Janes preached during the first summer under a spreading oak, which stood at the south end of the street (in front of the present house of John Wright). This venerable tree — hallowed by sacred associations with the Sabbath worship of the pioneers of the town — a witness of the varied life of the English for six generations — probably the witness of the changeful life of the Indians for other generations — for it must have been a grown tree in 1673 — is still preserved with jealous care — Oh! no — it was burned down, through boyish carelessness and neighborly indifference, July 5, 1869.

The home-lots of the settlers were of equal size, without regard to the owner's pecuniary ability. The rule adopted for the division of the meadows is not clearly stated, but is believed to have been according to the amount of purchase money each man put into the common stock. This represented *his share in the adventure*, and was the basis of taxation, and, rightfully, of land apportionment. Great meadow was partitioned off into 3 parts, and Pauchaug into 2 parts; and each settler received a lot in each of the several parts. The main divisions as well as the individual lots lay at right angles to the river; and a road ran north and south across every man's lot near the centre. This apparently minute subdivision was intended to secure greater equality. If in either meadow one portion was of poorer soil, or the fences more exposed to freshets, no one was likely to get all his land in these undesirable spots. One or two of his lots was certain to be of the best or of average quality. Great meadow, as laid out, was estimated at 385 acres; Pauchaug was estimated at 130 acres.

The crops first planted were flax, indian corn and wheat. Mrs. Rowlandson, who was brought a captive hither, in the March succeeding the destruction of the village, says in her Narrative: "we came to Squauheag, where the Indians quickly spread themselves over the deserted English fields, gleaning what they could find; some picked up ears of wheat that were crinckled down, some found ears of indian corn, others sheaves of wheat that were frozen together in the shock, and went to threshing of them out. Myself got two ears of indian corn, and whilst I did but turn my back, one of them was stolen from me, which much troubled me: A solemn sight methought it was, to see whole fields of wheat and corn forsaken and spoiled, and the remainder of them to be food for our merciless enemies! That night we had a mess of wheat for our supper."

The settlers had a good store of cattle. For it is stated that when Major Treat brought off the inhabitants, after Beers's defeat, he "left the cattle," many of which were killed by the Indians, and seventeen of the remainder followed the retreating company, "of their own accord, and reached Hadley in safety." They had also a considerable flock of sheep. Wool and flax were the materials necessary for winter and summer clothing; of which every new settlement was expected to furnish its own supply.

It is difficult to determine the precise number of inhabitants in the aggregate, that made a lodgement here — and constituted the home-life of the little village, during the brief period of its continuance. Probably there was coming and going: some of the older children of a family did not remove hither with the parents; and such infants as were born here were recorded with the rest at the old home in Northampton. The following sketch of the several families will afford a basis for a tolerably correct estimate.

Ralph Hutchinson. He was from Boston: was early at Northampton, whence he came to Squakheag. His wife was Alice, widow of Francis Bennett of Boston. They had four young children.

William Janes. He came from England in 1637; was a first settler at New Haven; was at Northampton as early as 1656; a teacher at both places. He was an earnest forwarder of the new plantation, came hither with the first company, and became both teacher and preacher. His second wife was Hannah, daughter of Thomas Bascom Sen., and widow of John Broughton. They had four children, the youngest less than a year old, and probably four or five of the children of the first wife came with the parents.

James Bennett. He was a son of Mrs. Ralph Hutchinson by her first husband. In the spring of 1675 he married Mary Broughton, daughter of Mrs. William Janes by her first husband. He was killed at the Falls fight, May 19, 1676. Being connected with the Hutchinson and Janes families, and perhaps one of the first explorers of the territory, it is not unlikely that Bennett's meadow received its name from him.

Thomas Bascom. His father, Thomas Sen., was of Dorchester 1633, Windsor 1640, Northampton 1661. His sister married William Janes. He married Mary Newell of Farmington. They had certainly two children when they came to Squakheag, and probably one born here.

Robert Lyman. He was son of Richard of Windsor. He married at Northampton in 1662, Hepzibah Bascom, sister of Thomas Jun. They had three or four children, and one born 1674.

George Alexander. He was early at Windsor, then at Northampton. He was of the first party that went up the river to Squakheag, and did much to promote the settlement of the place. His wife was Susanna: and perhaps two of the younger children (then grown up) were with him here.

John Alexander. He was the oldest son of George, born, July 25, 1645; married Nov. 28, 1671 Sarah Gaylord. Their first child was born Jan. 24, 1673.

Thomas Webster. He was son of John Webster, governor of Connecticut; settled first in Hadley. His wife was Abigail daughter of George Alexander. They had three young children.

Micah Mudge. He was son of Jarvis of Wethersfield; was at Northampton, 1670, in which year, he married Mary daughter of George Alexander. They had one child, and another born here. He was a first explorer, and a prominent man in the new settlement.

Samuel Wright. He was son of Dea. Samuel of Springfield, and Northampton. He married Nov. 24, 1653, Elizabeth Burt. They had seven children, and among them were Benjamin and Eliezur, afterwards noted in Northfield history. He was sergeant in command of the soldiers, and was killed by the Indians in the first attack on the town, Sept. 2, 1675. A posthumous child, born ten days after the father's death, was named Benoni.

Cornelius Merry. He was a native of Ireland; was at Northampton 1663; married Mary Ballard; had four children, and one born here.

William Miller. He was at Ipswich 1648; was a first settler at Northampton; a tanner by trade. His wife was Patience; they had eight children, the youngest born Jan. 20, 1672. Mrs. M. was a skilful physician and surgeon, and was the only *doctor* at N. during the first two settlements.

Thos. Root, Jun. His father Thomas was at Salem, 1637, at Hartford 1639, at Northampton 1658. At Northampton Thomas Jun. married Abigail daughter of Alexander Alvard, a first petitioner for Northfield. They had three children.

John Hilliard or Hilyer. He was son of John of Windsor. He married Anne Baxter. They had two young children.

William Smead. He was of Northampton; married Elizabeth Lawrence daughter of Thomas of Dorchester. They had five children, and one born here.

Joseph Dickinson. His father Nathaniel was of Wethersfield and Hadley. He (Joseph) settled first at Northampton; wife Phebe.

They had four children, and one born at Northfield. He was a first settler here and was killed with Capt. Beers, Sept. 4, 1675.

JOSEPH PARSONS SEN. Was in Springfield as early as 1636; removed to Northampton 1654. He was a first explorer of Squakheag, and the agent for purchasing the lands of the Indians, as previously narrated. He received grants of a home-lot and other lands, and bore his share of the charges of this First Settlement, but appears not to have removed here in person. In 1683, he had a grant of 90 acres of meadow, which required him to settle 3 inhabitants. Perhaps his son Joseph Jr. occupied one right. He died at Springfield Oct. 9, 1683, and his heirs held his lands at Northfield for many years.

It thus appears that the Hutchinson, Janes, Bascom, Bennett and Lyman families were connected by marriage; as were also the Alexanders, Webster, and Mudge families; and that all but Thomas Webster removed hither from Northampton. The fact is also apparent that the majority of the parents were in the prime of life, and most of them with families of little children. This adds a peculiar interest and shading of anxiety to our search into their history. Knowing the inner structure of the several households, it is not difficult for us to picture to ourselves the leading features of the somewhat isolated life they led. There was much of social equality, and mutual regard. If one individual or household suffered, all felt the pain; if one was glad, all shared in the joy. Their lot was that of hard and protracted toil; but their trust in God and hope of a better future inspired and supported them. And they must have been fairly prosperous. For at the opening of the third season after breaking ground, we find them able to repay the purchase money for the tract comprising Bennett's meadow and the uplands adjoining, which was bought for them in 1673 by Joseph Parsons and William Clarke. But a dark cloud appeared suddenly upon their horizon!

The Indians throughout the valley continued on friendly terms with the whites till the spring of 1675. They had been accustomed to set their wigwams on the commons, and sometimes on the home-lots. They had bartered and begged, as the case might be. When they could get rum or flip, they would drink to excess, and became quarrelsome; but when sober, would submit to the common legal penalties. Usually they were peaceably inclined. In some of the settlements they liked to take land of the English to plant on shares, the stipulation being that the whites should plow the same, the Indians finding the seed and returning half the crop.

The two races were separate; and the line of separation was becoming more and more apparent. There were mutual jealousies and distrust; but as little of friction as it is reasonable to expect when civilized and savage life come in contact.

The first signs of a change of feeling and purpose on the part of the Indians, noticed this spring, were a neglect to make the usual arrangements for planting corn; and a simultaneous removal of their effects to their forts and hiding-places. Some friendly Nonotuck squaws gave significant hints to certain exposed families at Northampton.

Our Northfield people lived in less direct contact with the natives, and appear not to have been alarmed, nor to have taken any unusual precautions. And the spring wore on, and summer came, and the settlers were not molested.

The first act of war in this neighborhood, was the destruction of Brookfield on the second of August.

This unexpected outbreak aroused and alarmed the authorities and the people. Companies of soldiers under Captains Lothrop and Beers were sent up by the Council at Boston, and reached Brookfield August 7. The Council of Connecticut sent up Capt. Thomas Watts of Hartford with 40 dragoons. Lieut. Thomas Cooper of Springfield with 27 mounted troops and 10 Springfield Indians, joined Capt. Watts, and all marched to Brookfield, reaching that place the 7th. This force moved up to Wenimisset on the 8th, (Philip arrived there three days earlier) "but found no Indians." The Springfield company under Lieut. Cooper, went several miles further to the north, but discovering no tracks of Indians, returned home on the 10th. Captains Lothrop and Beers made their head-quarters at Brookfield. A company of 30 Indians under Joshua the son of Uncas, and another company of 30 Indians from near Hartford, came up, and ranged the woods; but to no purpose. The hostile savages were no where to be found.

As a matter of precaution, at the breaking out of hostilities, a squad of 20 soldiers was sent by Major Pynchon to garrison Northfield, who were put under command of Lieut. Samuel Wright.

During the interval between the 10th and 21st of August, our troops stationed at Brookfield and Hadley scoured the country about Swift river, and went up the Connecticut as far as Deerfield, where Capt. Watts left a small guard.

The ill-success of the troops in tracking the savages, shows either inexperience, or the treachery of their Indian guides; and the small guard left at the exposed frontier towns, shows that the real peril of the situation was not fully comprehended.[1] Nor is this surprising. The River Indians had never complained of wrongs received from the English, and our people had no reason to suspect injury from them. Nor was any motive apparent for the transfer of King Philip's quarrel to this remote valley.

But the Northfield settlers began to realize the insecurity of their position. The news of the onset at Brookfield, and the unsuccessful scouting, and the sending of a guard of soldiers for their protection, all betokened evil, and gave cause for anxiety. And the enemy contrived about this date, to surround and drive off their flock of sheep. In this emergency, about August 19, Joseph Dickinson went down to Hadley, to consult with their friends, and, as appears, to urge either the sending of additional troops, or the bringing off of the inhabitants. The sudden turn of affairs kept him in Hadley, and prevented any decision for 10 or 12 days, when, returning, as he supposed, with succor, he met his death on Beers's plain.

The following letter of Major Pynchon to the Connecticut council furnishes a clear picture of affairs at this juncture :

Springfield Aug. 22, 1675.

In y^{e} night a Poſt was ſent me from Hadley, that o^{r} forces are returned, Capt. Watts thither, and the Bay forces to Quaboag. Nothing done but about 50 wigwams they found empty which they burnt. They write from Hadley they expect nothing but y^{e} enemy to inſult and fall upon y^{e} remote towns; that they are in great fear; a guard of 20 left at Squakeak is too weak; ſome of your ſoldiers left at Pacomſuck Capt. Watts ſpeaks of calling off, w^{ch} troubles y^{m} greatly : Suſpect o^{r} Indians y^{t} went out to be fearful or falſe or both; ſay y^{t} y^{e} ſheep at Squakeake are driven away ſince y^{e} ſoldiers were there; Suſpect y^{e} enemy to be between Hadley and Squakeak at Paquayag, about 10 miles from the Great River. I am ſending to Capt. Watts to ſtay with his forces there: I would gladly you would allow it and give further order about it, as y^{t} they may make diſcovery for y^{e} enemy at y^{e} place forenamed.

Yrs in y^{e} Lord Jeſus

John Pynchon

P. S. Momonto thinks y^{e} Indian enemy may be in a Swamp called Momattanick, about 3 miles off Paquayag, between Hadley and Squakeak: it is pity but they ſhould be diſreſted; and y^{r} Indians will be y^{e} moſt likely to do ſomething.[2]

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[1] "Partly by the treachery of some of the Indians that came to their assistance, that seemed to favor the English but rather acted in behalf of the enemy, and partly by the subtilties of the enemies themselves, who could easily by their scouts discover the approach of our soldiers, and by the nimbleness of their feet escape them, our soldiers could never meet with any of them."— *Hubbard.*

[2] *Conn. Col. Records*, II, 535.

The Nonotucks, whose principal fort was on the river bank between Northampton and Hatfield, had taken no active part with the Nipnets in the burning of Brookfield, but had volunteered to join the English in their scouting expedition to the northward of that place; yet they were in evident sympathy with their brethren. In a letter sent to the Connecticut council, Rev. Mr. Stoddard says: "When they were with our army near Potetipaug, they said they must not fight against their mothers, brothers and cousins (for Quaboag Indians are related to them). And after our men were killed at Brookfield, they made eleven triumphant shouts, according to the number of our men killed, as their manner is when they have slain their enemies. And their conduct, while with the scouting party, before alluded to, led Joshua to remark that 'our Indians made fools of the English.'"[1]

"The Hadley Indians offered themselves to fight against Philip; but the Mohegans that came from Hartford told the English plainly that no good would be done while that company went along with them, for they would always give some shout when they came near the enemy as a warning to them to look out for themselves. * * The older ones among their sachems seemed loath to engage against the English."[2]

This tribe concentrated at their fort below Hatfield, just before the English troops under Captains Watts, Lothrop and Beers concentrated at Hadley on the 23d of August. At a council of war, held this day, it was determined to disarm these Indians; but on the night of the 24th, before the plan was carried into effect, they left the fort in a body, and went to the north. It is said that before leaving, the young warriors killed an old sachem, because he refused to join in their hostile scheme. These Indians were pursued, early the next morning, by Captains Lothrop and Beers, with a hundred men; and a severe battle was fought in a swamp, just south of Mount Wequomps, in the present town of Whately. The clan then joined the Pacomptocks of Deerfield.

From Pynchon's letter, and other sources of evidence it is tolerably certain that the main body of the Squakheags, with some of the Quaboags, and one or more Natick Indians were in camp at or near Paquayag. This was a convenient rendezvous and hiding-place. Philip himself may have been with them, though the probabilities are that he had returned to the strong-hold near Wachuset. He was too cunning to expose himself to danger, at this stage of his plans; and he had not a sufficient force, devoted to his interests, to risk a general battle. Indeed his army, at this date, was insignificant. His name was rather a terror to the whites, than a tower of strength to the red men.

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[1] Copied from *Judd's Hadley*.

[2] *Drake's Hubbard*, 1, 108.

During the week succeeding the Swamp fight in Whately, the Indians were not seen at any point; but they were preparing to strike an effectual blow at the two frontier villages. Sept. 1, the Pacomptocks, augmented by the Nonotucks, suddenly fell upon Deerfield, which then had but a small guard, shot one soldier of the garrison (James Eggleston) and fired most of the exposed buildings.

The next morning, Sept. 2, the band of savages that had been lying in wait near Miller's river, appeared in force at Squakheag. They had just received the large reinforcement of a war party of Nashaways, headed by Sagamore Sam and One-eyed John, the latter of whom was probably the leading spirit in this attack on our village, and the assault on Capt. Beers two days later.

It was the season for drying their flax; and ignorant of what had happened the day before to their neighbors at Deerfield, our people went about their work as usual on that morning. Both the soldiers and settlers appear to have been scattered in the meadows and home-lots, when the assault was made. According to the Rev. Mr. Hubbard, "some were killed in their houses, others as they were coming out of the meadows; the rest, men, women and children, fled to their fort, unable to sally out and repel the enemy. The savages kept around them, killed many of their cattle, destroyed their grain (wheat which was harvested and in the stook), burnt up the houses that were outside the stockade, and laid all waste." This affair took place Thursday Sept. 2, 1675.

The number of whites officially reported as killed, was eight, viz: *Sergt. Samuel Wright*, aged about 45, *Ebenezer Janes*, aged 16, and *Jonathan Janes*, 14, sons of Elder William Janes (these three belonged to Squakheag), *Ebenezer Parsons*, aged 20, son of Joseph of Northampton, *John Peck* of Hadley, *Nathaniel Curtis* of Northampton, *Thomas Scott* and *Benjamin Dunwich*, residence unknown. Only one of the Indians was reported killed.

Here then were these 16 families crowded within the small stockade, and the bodies of their friends lying unburied where they fell, and the savage foe lurking in the adjacent thickets and ravines. The terror of these mothers and little children, and the anxiety of these fathers can hardly be exaggerated. And how are they to expect relief? To stay in the fort is probable death; to leave it is certain death!

The news of the attack by the Indians on Deerfield, on the 1st, would certainly reach head-quarters at Hadley on the day of its occurrence; and the exposed condition of Squakheag would necessarily occasion solicitude. It appears that an immediate consultation was held, and the officers in command at Hadley determined to send up an expedition "to fetch off the garrison and people," instead of trying to hold the place. Sept. 2d, while the Indians were slaying and burning — Capt. Beers was preparing to go to the relief of the devoted village. Richard Montague was *impressed* to bake a supply of bread, and his horse was taken for the use of a trooper. The oxen and cart of Wm. Markham, and his son for a driver were also impressed for the service.[1] It took the day to get ready. The next morning, Friday Sept. 3, the onset of the Indians the day before being still unknown, Capt. Beers set forth with 36 mounted men and one ox team on his march of 30 miles up the river. It was a long day's work, especially for the oxen; and he halted, and camped for the night "3 miles below the town" (*Stoddard's letter*). It is probable that the camp was near Four-mile brook.

Leaving the horses here with a guard, the Captain with his main body and the team with stores, started on Saturday morning, the 4th, for the village. This movement of going on foot, would indicate that he had some expectation of meeting the enemy, and his horses would be a disadvantage, according to the military tactics of the time. But then why did he, with his long experience in Indian warfare, march without a van-guard and flankers? He knew that the savages were on the war-path — though he did not know of their assault on our people. He could hardly have been mistaken as to the character of the ground over which he was to pass, for one of the settlers (Joseph Dickinson) was in his company, and acting as a guide. *It is most likely that his familiarity with danger may have made him reckless!*

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[1] Whereas your Petitioner had his team (viz. a yoke of oxen) and his son, which were the chief of maintenance for his family pressed for ye country's service to bring off ye garrison at Squakheag, where his son and cattle were lost, and that which is allowed him for his oxen is about half what they cost him and were then valuable for; which also he hath not received, but only a part of it hath been defalked in rates, whereby his family hath been reduced to great suffering and straights — His humble request is, that if it may be, he may receive what is now due that he stands in such need of; or if that cannot be obtained, that at least you would favor him (being now in his 60th year) with a release from training and watching and warding, which may be some help to him. And your Petr shall always pray for blessings on you from on high, and remain.

Your servt and suppliant
WILLIAM MARKHAM.

Hadley Oct. 15, 1681.

He appears to have kept up on the high plain, till he came in sight of the little brook now known as Saw-mill brook. The ravine through which the stream ran was now covered (it being before the annual burning), with a rank growth of grass and ferns, and the leaves were thick on the young trees. Here he fell into an ambuscade. The brook was on his right, and he attempted to cross it where a depression in the plain made a passable fordway, in order to reach the hard land south and west of Dry swamp, and so come into the village near where is now the South road to Warwick. This was the common route of travel at the time; and the Indians knew that, as matter of course, he would take it, and made their plans accordingly. Concealed in front, and behind the steep bank below the crossing-place, on his right, they fired upon the carelessly advancing column just as the head was passing the brook, when it would be exposed for its entire length.[1]

It is evident that Capt. Beers was taken completely at unawares; and his men were thrown into confusion. But a part of them quickly rallied, and with their commander fought bravely — "hotly disputing the ground," as Stoddard has it. The main stand appears to have been made towards the south end of the plain (now Beers's plain), where is a slight rise of land. But the odds was too great against him.[2] Deducting the guard left with the horses, and the prisoners who were probably taken in the confusion of the first onset, and the killed, the captain must have been left almost alone. He retreated up the rising ground about ¾ of a mile, till he came to a narrow ravine on the southerly spur of the hill (now Beers's hill). This ravine was about 10 rods in length, 35 feet wide, and 10 feet deep. It afforded but a slight cover; but he accepted it in place of a better. It is a tradition, that when he reached this spot, he gave the order for "each man to look out for himself." He chose to stand and fight: and here he fell; and here he was buried.[3]

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[1] Capt. Beers's baggage wagon was left about midway of the plain nearly opposite the present house of T. J. Field, and perhaps marks the spot reached by the rear of the column.

[2] A note in Mather's *Brief History*, says: "It seems that Capt. Beers and those 36 men that were with him fought courageously till their powder and shot was spent, then the Indians prevailed over them so as to kill about 20 of them, only 13 escaped with their lives, at which time a cart with some ammunition fell into the hands of the enemy."

[3] The tradition which marks this as the spot where Capt. Beers was killed and buried, is of undoubted authenticity. The old men in each generation have told the same story, and identified the place. And the existence here from time immemorial of two stones — like head and foot stones — set at the proper distance apart, certainly marks the place *of a grave;* and the care to erect stones indicates the grave of more than a common soldier. The new house of Capt. Samuel Merriman, built about 50 years ago, was set directly across

The authorities of the time are substantially agreed as to the number of men sent out on this expedition, viz., the Captain, with 36 troopers and one teamster. But they differ widely in regard to the numbers saved and killed in the action. According to Hubbard's *Narrative*, "Capt. Beers and about twenty of his men were slain."—Rev. Mr. Russell of Hadley reports 16 slain in all, and gives the names of 11, viz., Capt. Beers, John Chenary, Ephraim Child, Benjamin Crackbone, Robert Pepper, George Lyruss, John Gatchell, James Miller, John Wilson, Joseph Dickinson, William Markham Jr.— The note in Mather's *Brief History* says: "The Indians killed above 20 and only 13 escaped:" i. e. 13 returned to Hadley with the horses that night.

A paper has been discovered in the State archives, which differs in some respects from the other accounts, but which helps us to a satisfactory solution of the question. The following is a copy: "*List of the killed at Northfield, Sept.* 4, 1675. Capt. Richard Beers, John Getchell, Benj. Crackbone, Ephraim Child, George Lickens, John Wilson, Thomas Cornich, Robert Pepper, John Ginery, Jeremiah Morrell, Elisha Woodward, William Markham Jr., Joseph Dickinson, James Mullard, and eight killed at Squakheag with Capt. Beers of whom there is no account." This makes the number of killed, 22. But one on the list, Robert Pepper, of Roxbury, was found alive and in captivity the next year. Add this one to the 16 that returned to Hadley makes 17 saved, and 21 killed; and thus the full number is accounted for. Joseph Dickinson was a Northfield settler; William Markham Jr. was from Hadley; most of the others were from Watertown, Boston and Roxbury.

The guard left with the horses, and those that escaped with them, 13 in all, "got to Hadley that evening, the 4th; next morning another came in, and at night another, that had been taken by the Indians and bound, and was loosed from his bond by a Natick Indian: he tells that the Indians were all drunk that night (on the rum found among the rations in the cart)[1] that they mourned much for the loss

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the ravine, which was made to answer for a cellar by filling in the space in front and rear. Capt. Ira Coy informs the writer that, before any thing was disturbed, he and Capt. M. dug into the grave. They found the well defined sides and bottom, where the spade had left the clay solid; and at the depth of about twenty inches (the shallowness indicating haste) was a layer of dark colored mould, some of it in small lumps, like decayed bones. The grave was then filled up, a large flat stone laid over it, and the hollow graded up. It can be found by the highway side, about ten feet outside the fence, a little to the west of a direct line extending from the front door of the house through the front gate.

[1] Some of the iron belonging to this cart was found on Beers's plain a half century since, and was worked up by Samuel Alexander the blacksmith.

of a great captain, that the English had killed 25 of their men. Six days after, another soldier came in who had been lost since the fight, and was almost famished, and so lost his understanding that he knew not on what day the Fight was" (*Stoddard's Letter*). This last was probably the man who, when he found his way of retreat to the horses cut off, leaped into a gully, and covered himself so effectually as to escape the notice of the keen-eyed savages. The gully is known as *old soldier's hole* to this day.

Sergt. John Shattuck (son of William of Watertown), was one of the saved. He was despatched to the Bay with news of the defeat; and was drowned in crossing the ferry between Charlestown and Boston, Sept. 14. John Parke (son of Thomas of Cambridge village), was shot in the elbow joint, and his bone broken to pieces so that several of the pieces were taken out by the surgeon. He remained at Hadley till Maj. Appleton went down Nov. 24, at which time he and several other wounded men were sent home.[1]

John Harrington (son of Robert of Watertown), was wounded by two balls, but escaped, recovered, and lived to a good old age.

Robert Pepper, before named, was wounded in the leg, but managed to get into the crotch of a great tree which had fallen down, and lay there till he was discovered by Sagamore Sam, who dragged him out and abused him. After lying cold and hungry for two days, Sam took him into his own wigwam, not far off, and told him that if he did not die of his wound, he should not be killed. Afterwards he was treated kindly. The next January he was found in this sagamore's keeping, at Wennimisset, by James Quannapohit. In the mean time, as he informed the spy, he had been taken to Philip's quarters near Albany. "He saith that once since he was well, his master, carrying him abroad with him, left him at Squakeake, near where he was taken prisoner, his master wishing him to go to the English, whither there was a cart-way led; but he was afraid the Indian did it to try his fidelity, and entrap him, and that if he should have gone away towards the English, they would have intercepted him!"[2] Mrs. Rowlandson saw him at the same place, February 12. He told her that "after his wounding he was not able to travel but as they carried him; and that he took oak leaves and laid to his wound, and by the blessing of God, was soon able to travel again."

Another captive, whose name cannot be ascertained, was tied to a tree, and reserved for torture the next day; but in the night a friendly Natick Indian (probably Peter Jethro, who was attached to the Nashaways at this time) let him loose, and he escaped. Still another captive was hung to the limb of a tree by a chain hooked into his jaw, in which position he was found, dead, by the relief party. And it is a current tradition that there were three others taken prisoners, who were burned to death at the stake ![1]

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LXIX, 198.

[2] Manuscript copy of *Relation*, in *Conn. Archives*.

On the return to Hadley of the first fugitives (the 13 that escaped with their horses), with news of the disaster, preparation was made to send up a sufficient force to meet the emergency. Major Treat, who had arrived from Hartford on the 3d with his company, set out the next morning (Sabbath Sept. 5) with above 100 men. He camped for the night probably below Four-mile brook; and the next day, Monday, pushed forward for Squakheag. As he reached the line of Beers's retreat, he saw the heads of many of the slain, which the savages had cut off, and stuck upon poles, standing in ghastly array beside the traveled path. He paused only long enough to perform hasty funeral rites. Arrived at the village, he found the stockade unbroken, and the inmates — who had been shut up there five days — safe.

A party of the soldiers and citizens went into the meadows (perhaps for grain for their horses), but hearing some guns fired about the fort, they ran up to see what was the matter, and by the way were fired upon by about 14 Indians as they judge, out of the bushes. Returning the fire, one or two Indians were slain. Major Treat was struck upon the thigh, the bullet piercing his clothes, but it had lost its force and did him no harm. Seeing the posture of affairs, he called his council together, and they concluded to bring off the garrison: so they came away the same night, taking what they could, but leaving the cattle there,[2] and the dead bodies unburied. (*Stoddard's Letter*).

This last statement probably refers to the bodies of the 8 men slain on the 2d. As they had been dead five days and may have been in an advanced state of decomposition, there is some excuse for neglecting the rite of sepulture. But no such reasons existed in the case of Capt. Beers and his men; and the supposition is scarcely credible that the Major passed them in the morning without giving them a decent burial. And the tradition in regard to, and discovery of the grave in the ravine, with the head and foot-stones in place, and the signs of hasty interment, confirm the inference that the captain and his slain companions were committed to the earth.

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[1] My brother, Sharon Field, late of Northfield, led by the tradition to make search, found what he regarded as the place where three men perished by fire. There were three spots of dark earth mingled with fine bits of charcoal, near each other, and in one of them, while stirring up the ground, he found what appeared to be a melted pewter button. The location, and number of places of burnt earth agreed with the tradition. It was on the plain, east of where Jonathan Lyman now lives, and north of the old road that led up the mountain. — *Dea. Phinehas Field.*

[2] "Seventeen of their cattle came a great part of the way themselves, and have since been fetched into Hadley."— *Stoddard.*

Where the numerous company of men, women and children, thus deserting their homes, camped for the night is not known. But the next day Major Treat was met by Capt. Appleton with a company of Massachusetts troops, that had been sent up after him. Capt. A. "would willingly have persuaded them to have turned back, to see if they could have made any spoil upon the enemy; but the greatest part advised to the contrary, so that they were all forced to return with what they could carry away, leaving the rest for a booty to the enemy."[1]

After Major Treat left, the Indians burnt the fort and remaining houses at Squakheag. And thus this little village passed out of existence.

[A brief notice of Capt. Richard Beers is in place here. In a petition to the General court, dated Watertown, 1664, he says: "Whereas y^{r} pet^{r} hath been an inhabitant of this jurisdiction ever since the beginning thereof, and according to his weak ability served the same, not only in times of peace, but also with his person in the Pequod War in two several designs when the Lord delivered them into our hands, as also upon his return such a weakness fell upon his body that for eight years space he was disabled to labor for his family, spending a great part of the little he had upon Physicians, and having hitherto not had any land of the country, and of the town but one and a half acres, besides that which he hath purchased," asks for a grant of land. The court granted him 300 acres.

He served in the Pequod war in 1637; was licensed "to keep an ordinary" in Watertown in 1654, and continued in the business till his death. He was selectman 31 years; representative 13 years, holding both offices at the time of his death. He was on the committee to lay out Quinsigamond in 1669, when he explored the country to the northwest and first visited Squakheag. He also served the colony in other important civil trusts. When news of the burning of Brookfield reached Boston, Capt. Beers and his company were ordered westward. He left home Aug. 6 (having made his will on that day), reached Brookfield the 7th, where he had head-quarters till the 23d, when he marched to Hadley. He was in command at the Swamp fight near Mount Wequomps, Aug. 25, and was killed at Squakheag Sept. 4. His age was about 63. He left a widow and 8 children.]

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[1] *Hubbard's Narrative.*

It would be gratifying if we could know the *Indian side* of this affair, and could state definitely who planned the attack on Squakheag, and the number of savages engaged in the fight with Capt. Beers. The whole thing was managed by the Indians with great adroitness, and their victory was complete. The writers of the time commonly took for granted that Philip was omnipresent; but the facts — so far as *facts* were recorded — do not warrant such a conclusion. Indeed, positive evidence is wanting that he was in a single fight with the English in this valley.

A like uncertainty exists in regard to the numbers engaged in the several assaults. The Indians never showed themselves in the open field. They always fought under some cover. The only means of judging of their numbers was from the report of their guns. In the excitement of the conflict cool calculation was impossible. And the published reports were too often the wild guesses of some escaped soldier, or the estimate of some friendly partisan, who would account for the defeat and destruction of our forces by the great superiority of their assailants. Hubbard says: "Capt. Beers and his men were set upon by many hundreds of the Indians out of the bushes by the swamp side." Mather says: "Hundreds of Indians from a thick swamp fired upon them." These two statements undoubtedly express the belief of all parties interested. But the estimate is very indefinite. Besides the Squakheags, it is known that two bands of Nashaways, a part of the Quaboags, and a few Natick and Marlborough Indians, were engaged in this affair. The Nashaways had at this date about 40 fighting men. If the Quaboags sent an equal force, the whole number that ambushed Capt. Beers must have been about 130.

There is less uncertainty about the leaders in this assault, than about the numbers engaged. Robert Pepper, the spared captive, says that Sagamore Sam was in the fight.[1] And the *Relation* of James Quannapohit,[2] who was sent out into these parts as a spy, by Major Gookin, the succeeding January, gives sufficient particulars to make it certain that One-eyed John was also here. He says he was in the fight with Capt. Beers; and the inherent probabilities confirm the declaration. The cutting off the heads of the slain English, and setting them upon poles, was his method of treating the dead in all his successful assaults.

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[1] See *ante*, p. 77.

[2] James Quannapohit was a friend and former companion in arms of this sachem: his story, as events proved, was entirely reliable; and he had sufficient shrewdness to detect any attempt at imposition on his credulity.

The Indian name of this chieftain was *Monoco.* The seat of his tribe was at Nashaway (Lancaster). He was an experienced warrior, having been one of the braves that went on the expedition against the Mohawks in 1669. He was one of the first to take up the hatchet in the summer of 1675; was blood thirsty and cruel in the last degree. He led the attack on the town of Lancaster, Aug. 22, where 8 persons "were slain and mangled in a barbarous manner." He was at Squakheag in the assaults of Sept. 2 and 4; was at the Bloody brook massacre Sept. 18;[1] took part in the attack on Lancaster Feb. 10; boasted that he was at Medfield Feb. 21; was certainly in command of the savages that destroyed Groton March 13, 1676; and may have been in other engagements. When the tide of success was turning against the Indians in the summer of this year, Monoco and his tribe, with the others living about Lancaster, "did cunningly endeavor to hide themselves amongst those Indians about Pascataqua, that had newly made their submission to the English, by Maj. Waldern's means, and concluded a Peace."[2] By a statagem, of questionable propriety even in war, these Indians, to the number of 400, were entrapped by Maj. Waldron at Cocheco (Dover, N. H.), Sept. 6, 1676.[3]

Monoco, alias One-eyed John, and 8 others of the leaders were hanged in Boston, Sept. 26, 1676. With all his bloodthirstiness, this savage had one redeeming trait; he was true to an early friendship. James Quannapohit (before named) a Natick Indian, and he were boys together; hunted together; were together in the expedition against the Mohawks. And when James joined the Praying Indians, and became, in the estimation of Philip, a traitor, on whose head a price was set, Monoco stood up for him; and to a proposition of some to kill him or send him to Philip, he answered "I will kill whomsoever shall kill Quannapohit."[4]

The other Nashaway chief who took part in the battle of Beers's plain was *Uskatugun*, better known by his English name of Sagamore Sam (when he was first appointed sachem of his tribe, he was called *Shoshanim*). The head-quarters of his tribe was near the Washakum ponds in Lancaster. He seems to have shared the honors with his ally, One-eyed John, in many raids; and he made some daring expeditions of his own. His treatment of Robert Pepper has been already narrated. In the course of the autumn, he went (taking Pepper with him) to visit King Philip in the neighborhood of Albany; and in January he was at Wenimisset. Feb. 10, he was in command of the large force that assaulted Lancaster; Feb. 21, he was with Monoco in the attack on Medfield, and probably in command of the united clans. He was prominent in securing the redemption of Mrs. Rowlandson, early in May, some of the letters to the council being signed by him. In the summer, he and his clan went to the eastward; were made prisoners at Cocheco, Sept. 6, and he was hanged at Boston, with the other chiefs, Sept. 26.

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[1] James Quannapohit's *Relation.*

[2] *Drake's Hubbard,* II, 131.

[3] "The English commanders got up a mock training, and invited the Indians to take part in it. This they assented to; and in the sham fight which was to close the exercises, were all made prisoners."—*S. G. Drake,* note to Hubbard's *Narrative.*

[4] *Gookin's Praying Indians.*

The number of Indians killed in the Beers fight was reported by the fugitive English to be 25, one of them "a great captain." Monoco told James Quannapohit that he lost only one. The other clans probably lost more; but the true total cannot be known. In all their skirmishes the Indians carefully conceal their losses. When one is shot down, his nearest comrade crawls to him, and fixing a *tump line* to the body, slowly drags it to the rear. Except in some few instances, where the whites came upon them by surprise, and drove the Indians from their position, the number of the killed and wounded in an action, was never known. And the common *estimates* were probably twice or thrice too large. If a captive squaw or wounded brave confessed to a given number of his comrades killed, it was such a number as would please his captors, and, as he shrewdly supposed, might help to mitigate his fate.

The Squakheag families, having been driven from their new homes, returned to their old homes in Hadley and Northampton.

The Indians, flushed by the success that had thus far attended all their hostile plans, took quiet possession of their old hunting grounds. The Nashaways, and their allies, brought on their families, and set up their wigwams, near the deserted English fields, and lived on the spoil, and watched the neighboring settlements. Major Pynchon, writing Sept. 8, says: "And when we go out after the Indians, they do so skulk in swamps, we cannot find them; and yet do waylay our people to their destruction."

The attempt, Sept. 18, to bring off the year's crop of grain from Deerfield, to meet the unexpected demand for food at Hadley and Northampton, caused by the influx of fugitives from Northfield, and the troops quartered there, furnished the savages the coveted opportunity for another ambuscade; and the English captains seem to have learned no lessons of caution from their previous disasters. The destruction, at Bloody brook, of Capt. Lathrop and his company of young men, appropriately styled "the flower of Essex county," was a natural consequence of want of circumspection, and added another to the list of Indian surprises and victories.[1] And this distressing affair rendered necessary the abandonment of the settlement at Deerfield. Thus in less than two months, three frontier towns had been destroyed, and no less than 127 lives sacrificed — to which 21 more were to be added before the end of October. Of this 148 slain, 44 were inhabitants of the county, the rest being soldiers from other parts of the colony.

The savages were always on the alert, and usually appeared just when and where they were least expected. Springfield was burnt Oct. 5, the very day on which an attack on Hadley from the north was expected. An extract from a letter written by Maj. John Pynchon, dated Hadley, Sept. 30, will give a vivid picture of the situation: "We are endeavoring to discover the enemy, and daily send out scouts, but little is effected. Our English are somewhat awk and fearful in scouting and spying, though we do the best we can. We have no Indian friends here to help us. We find the Indians have their scouts out. Two days ago, two Englishmen at Northampton, being gone out in the morning to cut wood, and but a little from the house, were both shot down, having two bullets apiece shot into each of their breasts. The Indians cut off their scalps, took their arms, and were off in a trice." Oct. 19, Hatfield was assaulted; 7 were killed, and 2 taken captive, and carried towards Albany.

In the early part of November, the Nashaways returned eastward, and with the Quaboags took up winter quarters at Wenimisset. The River Indians proper had previously gathered at Coasset, which was a piece of pine woods on the west bank of the Connecticut a little above the South Vernon railroad station, then in Northfield, now in Vernon, Vt. Philip and his band were here with them for a short time; but he soon moved off towards Albany with his own warriors, and a considerable part of the Pacomptocks and their allies. James Quannapohit in his *Relation* says: "Some of the River Indians with Sancumachu had winter-quarters near Albany with King Philip." Gov. Andross writes:

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[1] One-eyed John and Sagamore Sam, with their bands, were in this fight with Capt. Lathrop. The former lost one of his men.

"New York Jan. 6, 1676.

"This is to acquaint you that late last night I had intelligence that Philip and 4 or 500 North Indians,[1] fighting men, were come within 40 or 50 miles of Albany northerly, where they talk of continuing this winter: that Philip is sick, and one Sahamoschaha the commander in chief."[2]

The Squakheags made their winter-quarters at the Coasset before named. Probably the old men and some of the women and children of Philip's party and of the Pacomptocks, staid here. Food was plenty. The cattle and hogs captured at our village and at Deerfield lasted for a while. The corn and wheat taken at the same places lasted longer. And it is an attested historical fact that deer and other game were unusually abundant, and owing to the depth of snow, were easily caught.

Winter set in early and with uncommon severity. Travel was next to impossible, except upon *rackets*; and both whites and Indians kept in close quarters till the latter part of January, when a sudden thaw cleared off the snow.

The destruction of the Narragansett fort in Rhode Island by an army of Massachusetts, Plymouth and Connecticut troops, under Gen. Josiah Winslow, the 19th of the preceding December, changed directly the whole aspect of Indian hostilities, and led to a great gathering of the tribes at Squakheag.

The Narragansetts had thus far stood aloof from Philip's cause, or only aided him indirectly. Now that the English had commenced a war of extermination against them, it was plain policy to unite their fortunes with the Sachem of Mt. Hope. In the latter part of January the larger part of this tribe, viz., those that adhered to Canonchet, are found on their way to the Nipmuck head-quarters near Quaboag. Pessacus, a brother of Miantonimoh, and Quinnapin,[3] who had married Weetamoo, a sister-in-law of Philip, were with Canonchet, and had a considerable number of personal adherents. They reached the camp north of Brookfield near the middle of February, where they remained about two weeks. The Nashaways left Wenimisset Feb. 9, to attack Lancaster, and watch the Massachusetts Bay force which was preparing to invade the Nipmuck country. Ascertaining from scouts that the mounted troops under Maj. Thomas Savage were to march for Quaboag about the 28th, the main body of Indians at Wenimisset started on the 27th for the north. This band comprised the Quaboags, the Narragansetts, some Grafton Indians, and a miscellaneous crowd, in all not less than 2000 souls.[1]

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[1] Philip had about 100; and Sancumachu not over 150 men.

[2] It is quite likely that the Nonotuck sachem was in command; and Philip may have had reasons of state for reporting himself sick. It will be noticed that the date of this letter only determines when the intelligence from Philip was received by the governor. He had been in that region more than a month.

[3] The reader of Mrs. Rowlandson's *Narrative*, will remember that this Quinnapin bought Mrs. R. of her Narragansett captor; and that his squaw, "the proud dame Wettimore," was her mistress during her captivity.

Major Savage reached Quaboag March 2, where he met the Connecticut troops under Major Treat. The united forces went to Wenimisset, but "found no Indians." They then pushed towards Paquayag: but the savages, by a feigned attack, drew them off on a wrong trail, so that the whole great company of Indians got over Miller's river, and out of harm's way, before the Major came to the fording place, March 6.

This manoeuvre of the Indians, by which our troops were successfully foiled, deserves a more detailed notice in this connection. When the English army, under Majors Savage and Treat, started from Quaboag March 3, the Indians were encamped in a swamp about 17 miles away and 8 miles south of Paquayag. They were encumbered by "the old and the young, some sick and some lame, many had pappooses at their backs; the greatest number (at this time with us) were squaws, and they travelled with all they had, bag and baggage." "Some carried their old decrepit mothers, some carried one and some another. Four of them carried a great Indian upon a bier; but going through a thick wood they were hindered and could make no haste, whereupon they took him upon their backs, and carried him one at a time, till we came to Bacquag river."[2]

They reached this river a little after noon, on the 3d. This was on Friday; and the making of rafts and ferriage of this vast multitude took till Sabbath evening. Where, all this while, were our English dragoons? Mrs. Rowlandson says: "The Indians chose out some of their stoutest men, and sent them back to hold the English army in play whilst the rest escaped." This covering party, in conjunction with the scouts left near Wenimisset, kept Maj. Savage at bay, or on false scents for two whole days, so that they did not reach Paquayag till some time in the forenoon of Monday. As they came up to the river they saw on the other side the smoke of the wigwams, which the retreating Indians had set fire to; but they did not cross. Our authoress writes: "this river put a stop to them. God did not give them courage or activity to go over after us." It should be said, that the river was swollen by the spring freshet, and crossing by horse must have been difficult and hazardous. The Massachusetts council were deeply chagrined at the signal failure of this expedition. In a letter to Maj. Savage at Hadley, dated March 31, they say: — "Leaving Capt. Turner in Capt. Poole's place, with the rest of the army we expressly command you to draw homeward, and endeavor in your return to visit the enemy about Pachquake (Paquayag), and be careful not to be deceived by their lapwing statagems, by drawing you off from the rest to follow some men."[1]

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[1] This enumeration is based on the statements of the two spies, as corroborated by Gookin and other authorities. It is believed to be under rather than over the true number.

[2] Mrs. Rowlandson's *Narrative*.

The Indians, relieved from pursuit, went leisurely to Squakheag, which they reached the next day, Mar. 7.

In the mean time, Philip and his allies had returned to the Connecticut valley. According to some authorities he was attacked by the Mohawks and driven from his winter quarters above Albany.[2] However this may be, word was sent him by Mautamp the Quaboag sachem, that the Narragansetts had broken with the English, and advising him to meet them at Squakheag.[3] He reached here the middle of February. He staid about 3 weeks on the fortified bluff known as Philip's hill, which he left Mar. 8, and moved up the river 4 or 5 miles to the Coasset, before named, where he remained till about April 10.

The gathering of the Indians here was a notable event of the war, and memorable in the annals of Squakheag. The head chiefs of two of the leading New England tribes, the Wampanoags and the Narragansetts, here joined hands and hearts for the struggle, which both of them knew was for life or death. All the personal adherents of Philip and his kinsman Quinnapin, appear to have been in attendance with their chiefs. Canonchet, son of the renowned Miantonimoh, and hereditary sachem of the Narragansetts, was attended by the flower of that once terrible clan. His uncle Pessacus, now just passed the prime of life,[4] was with him, in the capacity of chief counsellor. Sancumachu, a Nonotuck sachem, and now the acknowledged leader of the Pacomptocks and Agawams, was here with a considerable part of the united tribes. Mautamp and his Quaboags, now firm supporters of Philip, were here. Some of the Nashaways, Hassanamesetts, Naticks, and stragglers from other clans were here, making, with the Squakheags, an immense multitude. From reliable data, it is believed that from the 9th to the 25th of March, there were not less than 2500 Indians, including women and children, at Nawelet's old village sites about the mouth of the Ashuelot and on the opposite side of the Connecticut. Mrs. Rowlandson could well say, as she started to cross the river near Rock island, "I could not but be amazed at the numerous crew of pagans that were on the bank on the other side." Yet the company that came with her was more than double in numbers to the company already there.

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LXVIII, 192.

[2] *Drake's Hubbard*, I, 217.

[3] Quannapohit's *Relation*, Ms. copy, in *Conn. Archives*.

[4] He was born about 1623.

It was a critical time with the savages. The chiefs had to determine two important matters, viz., the plan of the season's campaign; and how to make secure and provide subsistence for the non-combatants, who largely outnumbered the warriors.

The snow was gone; and with it the deer and the larger game disappeared in the forests. The stock of grain was substantially consumed; and they were now feeding on groundnuts, and the peas, horses and sheep stolen in the raids upon Northampton, and the adjacent settlements. When Philip invited Mrs. Rowlandson to dine with him, he gave her "a pancake, about as big as two fingers; it was made of parched wheat, beaten, and fried in bear's grease." Scouting and raiding parties were kept out all the time. Northampton was assailed March 14. But besides burning buildings, and killing a few settlers and soldiers, they made no great spoil.

At a council of chiefs, it was decided to hold this part of the valley as a common rendezvous, and an abiding-place for the old men, squaws and children. They could eke out a living till the fishing season came; after which they had no reason to fear a scarcity of provisions till the last of summer. To insure supplies for the autumn and winter, Canonchet, who appears to have been the master-spirit, proposed in the council that all the west-plantations upon Connecticut river, formerly occupied as *fields* by the Indians, and recently taken from the English, should be planted with Indian corn.[1] As the last year's crop was gone, it was a problem how seed should be obtained. There was abundance in store at Seaconk; but none were willing to run the hazard of fetching it thence. As narrated in a preceding chapter, Canonchet offered to go with a band of 30 men, and bring up the required amount. He left Squakheag about the 25th of

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[1] *Drake's Hubbard*, II, 56.

March; was deserted by a part of his men; was surprised by the English at Pawtucket; was taken to Stonington, where he was executed, and his head sent to Hartford.[1] The Indians however, procured a sufficiency of seed-corn. Quinnapin's maid went to the Narragansett country, and after an absence of three weeks, returned with a peck and a half. Perhaps Canonchet's men brought what more was needed.

This month of March, 1676, was a dark time for the Massachusetts and Plymouth colonies. The Nashaways and their allies, from their fastnesses near Wachusett, destroyed Groton the 13th, and were threatening other towns: a force of Narragansetts was burning and slaying near Providence; and the Nipnets were at work around Springfield. The authorities at Boston appear to have been ignorant of the whereabouts of Philip; and imagined him to be in command wherever mischief was done. In this state of uncertainty and difficulty of raising sufficient troops to protect the widely scattered points of exposure, the Massachusetts council proposed to bring the five remaining towns of Hampshire county into two. Northampton and Hatfield were to concentrate at Hadley; Westfield was to be transferred to Springfield. The Northampton and Westfield people strongly remonstrated against removal; and their cause being espoused by the Connecticut council, the plan was abandoned.

There was now a large number of English prisoners in the hands of the Indians at Squakheag and Pacomptock. Thomas Eames's two daughters, taken at Framingham Feb. 1; those taken at Lancaster Feb. 10, and at Medfield Feb. 21; some from Springfield, and others, were at one or other of the Indian camps.

March 28, the Connecticut council sent the following letter to the chiefs at Squakheag:

> To Sucquance,[2] Wequaquat,[3] Sangumachu[4] and Wanchequit[5] at Suckquackheage, theſe:—Intelligence is come to us that you have some Engliſh (eſpecially women and children) in captivity among you. We therefore ſend this meſsenger, offering to redeem them either for payment in goods or wampum, or by exchange of priſoners.
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> We deſire y^r^ anſ^r^ to this our meſsenger, what price you demand for every man, woman and child, or if you will exchange for Indians.

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[1] *Drake's Hubbard*, I, 182: II, 59, 60.

[2] The same as Pessacus.

[3] A Springfield sachem.

[4] A Nonotuck sachem.

[5] A Squakheag sachem.

If you have any among you that can write y^r ans^r to this our meſsage, we deſire it in writing, and to that end have ſent paper pen and ink by the meſsenger.

If you let our meſsenger have free acceſs to you and freedom to a ſafe return, we are willing to do the like to any meſsenger of yours — Provided he come unarmed, and carry a white flag upon a ſtaff viſible to be ſeen."

A written answer to this proposal was received at Hartford, by the hand of Tiawakesson[1] April 30. The answer was evasive; its import being to ascertain what the English were willing to pay, rather than to fix a price for captives. Probably the real object was delay. The next day, May 1, a second letter, of similar import as the first (only the head chief "at Suckquackheage" was called Pessacus instead of Sucquance) was sent by Tiawakesson; and an answer was demanded within 5 days. Here the correspondence ended.— Some of the captives escaped; some were afterwards redeemed; and some (including Thomas Eames's oldest daughter) never returned.

As before stated, Philip and Quinnapin, with their warriors and a part of the younger squaws, and a considerable band of Narragansetts, left the valley about the 10th of April, and started for Paquayag and Wachusett.

The names of the sachems left in command, are given in the letter from the Connecticut council already quoted. Pessacus, from his high birth or age, or both, appears to have been the recognized head chieftain. He remained, with a large portion of the Narragansetts, through the spring. Besides the two names given in the text, he is salso known as Sucquanch, Cosucquanch, and Mossup. Rev. Jame Fitch, writing May 29, says: "Philip's men and the Narragansetts are generally come to Wachusett and Quaboag; only Pessicus one of the chief of the Narragansett sachems did abide up at Pocomptock with some few of his men."[2] In August, Menowniett in his testimony says: "Ninety North Indians, and Sucquance with them are gone to Paquayag on the Hudson river. He (Sucquance) is very sick."[3] The next year he was killed by the Mohawks, in the wilderness about 20 miles above Piscataqua, when going eastward, and was buried by order of Maj. Waldron.[4]

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[1] His name is sometimes written Watawaikeson. He is styled "agent of Pessacus," "messenger of Sucquance." He was a Narragansett; a counsellor of Sunck Squaw, and a man of great native shrewdness. He left Squakheag in June; was slain Sabbath, July 2, 1676, with Sunck Squaw, and others.— *Conn. Col. Rec.*, II, 458.

[2] *Conn. Col. Rec.*, II, 447.

[3] *Conn. Col. Rec.*, II, 472.

[4] S. G. Drake in *Book of the Indians.*

An Indian, captured by Capt. Holyoke near Skipmuck, April 27, stated to Samuel Marshfield, that the Indians "had three forts this side Wassquackheag; that the number of Indians at Deerfield and on the river was 3000, of whom 1000 were men. He saith there are none but our River Indians, the Narragansetts, Nipnets, Quaboags, and such tribes as are known to us, that are engaged in the war. They are bare of provisions, but furnished with ammunition by the Dutch.[1] He saith they for the most part are desirous of peace if the English would propound for it; that they would soon bring in Philip's head if that would be acceptable to procure peace. He saith there are many lurking about the towns. He saith that one of the forts is near the river bank, the other two are not far one from the other."[2] These confessions of Indian prisoners are not reliable. But subsequent events proved that many of these statements were true; and that the numbers were not greatly exaggerated.

About the first of May, the Indians appear to have separated into four principal parties. One remained at Squakheag, for planting and fishing; one went to Pacomptock, mainly for planting; one to Paquayag, for the same; and a large crowd gathered at Pasquamscut falls, for fishing. The parties at Pacomptock and Squakheag began planting their corn the 9th or 10th of May; and before the end of two weeks they had finished planting a wide area. Rev. Mr. Russell writes, May 22: "Our scouts report that they have planted as is judged 300 acres of choice ground at Deerfield." This estimate was probably three times too large. No estimate of the number of acres planted at Squakheag has been discovered. As our clans were largely engaged in catching and drying fish, their cornfields were probably less in extent than those at Deerfield.

This was a busy and joyous time along the banks of the river, from the mouth of Pauchaug brook to the head of Elmer's island. The red man's chief desire for "plenty to eat," was daily met by the upward rush of shad and salmon; and all anxiety for the immediate future was relieved by the surplus which his squaw would hang up to dry in the smoke of his wigwam fire. He was in safe quarters. For the bands stationed below were an effectual guard against surprise by the whites. The whole of the planting and fishing season passed; and the Indians here were not disturbed.

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[1] The Dutch sold powder and lead to the Mohawks, who, in turn sold to our Indians, so that Gov. Andross's indignant denial of the charge that "the Albany people supplied our enemies with ammunition," was both true and false.

[2] *Mass. Archives*, LXVIII, 202.

But evil was impending over the fishing party at the falls, below the mouth of Miller's river. Rev. Mr. Russell of Hadley wrote, under date of May 15, 1676: "This morning about sunrise came into Hatfield one Thomas Reede a soldier who was taken captive when Deacon Goodman was slain (at Hockanum, about the first of April). He relates that they are now planting at Deerfield and have been so these three or four days or more — saith further that they dwell at the falls on both sides the river — are a considerable number, yet most of them old men and women. He cannot judge that there are on both sides the river (at the falls) above 60 or 70 fighting men. They are secure and scornful; boasting of great things they have done, and will do. There is Thomas Eames's daughter and her child (a younger sister) hardly used; one or two belonging to Medfield, and I think two children belonging to Lancaster. The night before last they came down to Hatfield upper meadow, and have driven away many horses and cattle, to the number of four score and upwards as they judge. Many of these this man saw in Deerfield meadow, and found the bars put up to keep them in. This being the state of things, we think the Lord calls us to make some trial what may be done against them suddenly, without further delay; and therefore the concurring resolution of men here seems to be to go out against them to-morrow night so as to be with them, the Lord assisting, before break of day." This purpose of the Hadley people was carried out three days later.

There were special reasons why the Indians felt secure just at this time. Most of the Massachusetts troops under Maj. Savage, and the Connecticut troops under Maj. Treat had been withdrawn, and returned home. Only about 160 men, under command of Capt. William Turner, now garrisoned the Hampshire towns. Besides, negociations for the redemption of captives were pending between the Connecticut authorities and the Indian chiefs; and it was presumable that no hostilities would be commenced against the Indians till this matter was arranged. And on the night of the 18th, the party at the falls had gorged themselves "with new milk and roast beef, having lately driven away from Hatfield many of their milch cows, as an English woman confessed that was made to milk them."[1]

At this fortunate juncture, about 160 mounted men — one half inhabitants and one half soldiers — under Capt. William Turner and Capt. Samuel Holyoke, started Thursday evening May 18, for the Indian fishing camp. With Benjamin Wait and Experience Hinsdale as guides, the troops left Hatfield, marched up the west side of the river, crossed the Deerfield and Green rivers, and halted about half a mile from the head of the falls. Leaving their horses a little to the west of Fall river, under a small guard, they climbed an abrupt hill and came upon the back of the camp about day-break. "They found the Indians secure, yea all asleep without having any scouts abroad; so that our soldiers came and put their guns into their wigwams, before the Indians were aware of them, and made a great and notable slaughter."[1]

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[1] Drake's *Hubbard*, 1, 230.

"Some got out of the wigwams and fought, and killed one of the English; others did enter the river to swim over from the English, but many were shot dead in the waters, others wounded were therein drowned, many got into canoes to paddle away, but the paddlers being shot, the canoes overset with all therein; and the stream being violent and swift near the falls, most that fell overboard were carried upon the falls. Others of them creeping for shelter under the banks of the great River, were espied by our men and killed with their swords; Capt. Holyoke killing five, young and old, with his own hands."[2]

The victory seemed complete. But just as our troops were about to retire to their horses, a report was started that Philip with a thousand Indians was approaching; and "a panic terror fell upon many of them, and they hastened homewards in a confused route." Capt. Turner and 37 of his men were slain — all but one after they left the falls. The loss of the Indians was much greater. Menowniet testified that 40 Norwottucks (meaning River Indians) and Quaboags, and 10 Narragansetts were slain at the falls. This included only warriors, and was probably 10 below the actual loss. The number of women and children, shot in the wigwams, and destroyed in the attempt to cross the river was estimated as high as 150. Mr. Judd, who carefully analyzed the facts, concludes that "180 Indians, old and young, perished at the falls that morning." It was their heaviest loss in any action during the war, in these parts: and one from which they never recovered.[3]

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[1] Mather's *Brief History*.

[2] Drake's *Hubbard*, I, 231.

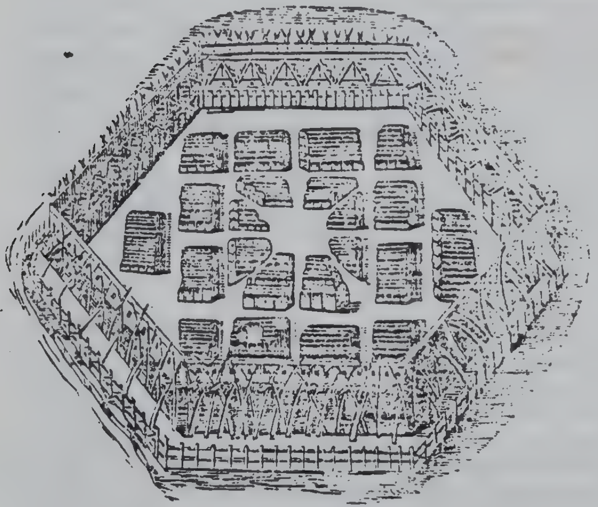
[3] Of the men, directly connected with Northfield history, in this fight, were Nathaniel Alexander, James Bennett, Philip Mattoon, Joseph Kellogg, Samuel Boltwood, Stephen Belding, Wm. Clarke, John Lyman, Cornelius Merry, Joseph Warriner. In 1736, the General court granted to the survivors of this fight, and their descendants, a township, which in commemoration of the event was named Fall-town, since incorporated under the name of Bernardston.

The savages however, were not yet disheartened. They quickly gathered at least 250 warriors; and on the 30th of May appeared at Hatfield, where they burnt many houses, killed 5 men, and drove away many horses and cattle.

The same party attacked Hadley June 12, but were repulsed.

No account can be gleaned from any sources, of the final departure of the Indians from their rendezvous at Cowasset and near the Great bend. They are known to have remained here till about the first of July.

The death of King Philip, August 12, was the signal for the general dispersion of the savages in this quarter. But before the news could have reached Hadley, Capt. Swain had sent out a company of 30 men to cut down the growing corn, and destroy the dried fish at Squakheag. They finished this work by the 15th of August, but saw no Indians.



An Indian Fort.

CHAPTER IV.

Resettlement of Squakheag, 1685-90.

The Committee's Power extended — Rules for Settlers — Land Grants — Names of Grantees — The Town Bounds extended Southward — Division of Outlands — Fort — Mills — New Deed from Masseamet — Plan of Town Street — Purchase of Nawelet's Land — Killing of Six Persons by Indians — Andros's Visit to Hadley — Rev. Warham Mather — Testimony of Grey-Poose and Others — The Winding-up. — 1690 to 1713.

AFTER its desertion and destruction in 1675, the town "lay waste" for 7 years, before any movement for resettlement was made. In the mean time two members of the Committee in charge of the plantation, viz., William Allis and Isaac Graves had died; and of the settlers, Samuel Wright, Joseph Dickinson and James Bennett were killed by the Indians, as before narrated. Others had given up their rights and settled permanently elsewhere. Most of the proprietors, or their heirs, however, still held on to their grants, and at no time relinquished the purpose of rebuilding the town.

1682. As preliminary to a resettlement of the place, in the spring of 1682 the original proprietors sent a petition to the General court, asking that the vacancies in the Committee might be filled, and the Committee impowered to act in the premises. And at its session May 24th, the court ordered:

> "Whereas, upon the petition of the inhabitants of Northampton and others, in 1672, a plantation was granted to them upon Connecticut River, at a place there called Squaheage, and a Committee appointed and empowered by this Court to order and regulate the affairs of that plantation till this Court take further order — now, foraſmuch as the major part of ſaid Committee are dead, upon the petition of the proprietors, this Court judgeth it meet and do hereby nominate and appoint Enſign John Lyman, Serg^t John King and Serg^t Preſerved Clap to ſupply the place of the deceaſed, and to join with the remaining part of the former Committee, and that they or the major part of them ſhall have the full power of the former Committee."

It is not known that the Committee took any definitive action during this year.

1683. In the spring of 1683,

"The Committee with the proprietors, having met ſeveral times about it, and after much agitation, they ordered and agreed as follows:

1. That there ſhall be 40 familys ſettled in the town plot, and every man to have an equal proportion, and every home-lot to be 20 rods wide.

2. They did agree to throw up Pauchaug and the upper diviſion in the Great Meadow by the town, to incourage more inhabitants to join with them for the better ſettling of the place.

3. That every perſon that has 60 acres granted of interval land, ſhall ſettle two inhabitants upon it.

4. They did alſo agree to go again thither with their families, by the 10th day of May 1686, or else to leave their lands.

5. That if there be any alter their minds, or not performing the condition of ſettling two familys upon 60 acres, they ſhall have the remainder of their land at the further end of the plantation."

"After theſe orders and agreements above written, we granted lots as followeth, that is to ſay, only interval land [in addition to home lots]:—

Names.	*Acres.*	*Names.*	*Acres.*
Enſign John Lyman	45	Samuel Boltwood	30
Joſeph Parſons Sen.	90	John Taylor	30
Mr. William Janes	60	John Woodward	35
George Alexander	60	Benjamin Palmer	30
Samuel Wright's heirs	60	Richard Francis	36
John Alexander	35	Iſaac Warner	30
Robert Lyman	40	Richard Lyman	35
William Miller	55	Joſeph Pumery	36
Joſeph Dickinſon's heirs	50	Eleazar Warner	20
Ralph Hutchinſon	40	John Hutchinſon	25
Micah Mudge	30	Thomas Hunt	20
Cornelius Merry	30	Daniel Warner	20
John Hilyard	30	William Gurley	25
Thomas Webſter	35	Zachery Lawrence	25
William Clarke	40	John Marſh	35
Samuel Davis	30	Benjamin Wright	30
Nath^l Alexander	40	Ebenezer Wright	30
John Clary Jr.	50		

Ensign Lyman was to have 15 acres, or its equivalent, in addition to the 45. And in Feb. 1684, "it was then granted to Ensign Lyman a swamp of 60 acres at the lower end of the Great Meadow, as part of the 15 acres that is in addition to his grant."

John Clary Jr. was entitled to but 30 acres; and the 20 additional was granted "on condition that he build a grist-mill for the use of the inhabitants."

Joseph Dickinson was represented here by his son Samuel.

Samuel Janes took one of his father's rights, and the home-lot next north of the one on which the Elder built in 1673 was assigned to him.

Ebenezer Wright went up with the first company, but did not remain.

Several of the *engagers* altered their minds, and did not remove to Northfield. Eleazar Warner forfeited his land, both home-lot and meadow, and it was afterwards granted to William Weeks; Thomas Hunt's land was forfeited and alienated to John Lyman (Robert's son); John Taylor's land was forfeited and alienated to Samuel Boltwood; Samuel Boltwood's first *pitch* was forfeited and alienated to John Holmes; Joseph Pumery's to Joseph Warriner; John Marsh's to Richard Lyman, and the lot first assigned to Richard Lyman to Jacob Root; William Gurley's to Joseph Root (both home-lot and meadow).

Some of the above changes, and others of a similar kind, did not take place till 1685 and '86. In the latter year, "the home-lot granted and laid out to Richard Francis, was granted to John Clary Jr., in addition to his home-lot, making it extend north to the Mill brook, in lieu of 2 acres of interval and the Island lying at the turn of the Great River above Ashuelot river."

March 18, 1686, "A grant of a home-lot and that Island commonly called Mr. Janes's Island, lying a little above Pauchaug," was made to Joseph Janes: and a home-lot and 20 acres of interval was granted to Judah Hutchinson. Hutchinson took up his home-lot, but Janes did not. Samuel King had a grant of 25 acres, Thomas Root of 20 acres, Sam^l Hutchinson and Sam^l Lyman of 15 acres each, which were severally laid out "in the Three Little Meadows below the town plot," and they were "accepted as inhabitants," though they had no home-lots, and put up no buildings. At the same time, grants of 10 acres each were made to William Clarke Jr., Robert Poag, Steven Jennings and Samuel Taylor, which were laid out "on the north side of Four-mile brook." And the names of James Corse, John Kingsley, Joseph Sheldon and Thomas Root Jr. are found on the Committee's records, but no lands were assigned them.

April 1687, Moses Lyman received a grant of "a home-lot and 20 acres of upland." He was here in 1688, but his home-lot has not been identified.

1684. The project made little advance this season, and the Committee met with many discouragements.

Feb. 13, 1684. The Committee then granted to Micah Mudge 6 acres upon the Moose plain.

May 28, 1684. "We whose names are under written have layed out the highways of Squakeage town plot 10 rods wide through the town, and a highway on the north side of Micah Mudge's home-lot and the south side of John Alexander's home-lot 10 rods wide to the meadow fence west, and so it runs into the woods eastward.

Micah Mudge
John Broughton
Benjamin Wright"

There is reason to believe that some of the grantees spent more or less time upon the ground this year, and that some lands were broken up, perhaps some crops put in, and preparation made for building houses. Probably the meadows were burned over in the autumn, after the custom of the Indians. The last of November was the date fixed by the Committee from which to reckon the four years, at the expiration of which all land grants, not occupied, were to be forfeited.

1685. The spring of this year was the time finally agreed upon to rebuild the town.

> " At a meeting of the Committee with the Company belonging to Squakeage, at Enſign Lyman's houſe [in Northampton], April 8, 1685, That where bound marks between men's lots were loſt ſince the time they were driven away by the Indians, being about ten years ſince, we then, both the Committee and Proprietors did agree and order the lands both home-lots and meadow-lands ſhould be meaſured again, and each man to have his juſt due."

April 26, 1685. At a meeting of the Committee, it was then agreed and ordered, that those men that have had lots granted, and are now to have their proportions laid out, shall have what they want [lack] in the Great meadow and Pauchaug in the next meadow, until they have equal with the former inhabitants, and what it wants in quality to be made up in quantity until it be equalized : this order doth extend to all those that shall have lots granted until the number of 40 families be settled.

Saw-Mill.— At a meeting of the Committee May 18, 1685, they then granted to John Woodward, William Clarke Jr. and Richard Lyman and any other that shall join with them, liberty to build a saw-mill, and we have granted to them a stream to improve their mill and so much land as they need to pond on and to lay logs upon, and 20 acres of land near the mill for pasturing or any other youse what they see mete, and liberty of the Commons for timber what they need to build with ; this [pasture land] is granted to them and to their heirs forever, to be taken up where the partners shall judge most convenient. This mill was set up on what is known as the Dea. Janes mill site.

May 23, 1685. William Clarke "in behalfe of those that are preparing to resettle the village of Squakeage," sent a statement and petition to the General Court[1] in which after rehearsing the action of the Committee in fixing the original bounds of the plantation, he proceeds: "and now being streightened for roome at the easterly end, the inhabitants that now intend to resettle the place againe doe earnestly desier and intreate this honnoured Court, if you see mete, to lett the plantation extend about two miles and a halfe lower, unto a little stoney brooke, which is called Fower Miles Brooke, and that yow would grant it to them; it would greatly encourage those that are to setle there, there being neare about forty familys preparing to setle there within a litle time. There is no intervale nor meadow land in this tract of land that I moove for them, but because it lyes near the toune, and may be usefull for wood and other wayes, and also incourage more inhabitants." * * *

The Court granted the petition, and extended the southerly bound on the east side of the river accordingly.

The number of families that went upon the plantation this first season, is not definitely known. Evidently it was much smaller than had been expected. It was not over twenty. The terrible remembrances of the former attempt were fresh in the minds of the survivors, and they were slow to repeat the risk. The temptation of abundance of land and a pleasant dwelling place, was offset by the perils of frontier exposure and distance from help. Micah Mudge, Cornelius Merry, John Alexander and William Miller, of the earlier planters, and Samuel Davis, Benjamin Palmer, John Clary Jr. and Benjamin Wright, resolute men, named in the records as "new comers," were the pioneers, and bore the brunt in this enterprise.

Each settler built on his home-lot, instead of in a common enclosure, as at the former attempt. According to the Rev. Mr. Hubbard's account, some "put up convenient houses" — probably of framed timber, and covered with rived clap-boards.

FORT.— As one of the first necessities of frontier life, they built a substantial fort. This was placed on the Robert Lyman home-lot, owned in the Third Settlement by Zechariah Field.

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[1] *Mass. Colony Records*, v, 482.

Grist-mill.— Early in the season a grist-mill was set up by John Clary Jr. He had the mill in Hadley the preceding year,[1] and was induced to remove hither by the offer of 20 acres of land in Great meadow, and the island situated in the great bend of the river. The mill was located on Mill brook,[2] on the privilege nearest the street.

Sept. 15, 1685. It is further granted to the "new inhabitants," in the upper end of the Great meadow, as an addition to their lots that they shall run to the brow of the hill, that is to say, where the fence now stands.

An Order for the Preſervation of Timber at Squakeage alias Northfield. It is ordered by the Committee of the place, that if any perſon or perſons whatſoever ſhall fall timber on the Commons, after 3 months its, to be croſsted or cut off; and after 3 months more to be cleft out or bolted or ſquared; if not, it ſhall be forfeited."

Bolts were cuts of sufficient length for shingles or clap-boards, i. e. from 3 to 5 feet long.

Apportionment of the Land Grants.— An important and somewhat difficult part of the Committee's work this year, (not completed till the next), was the apportionment of the granted lands among the inhabitants.

There is nowhere to be found a record of the rule by which the lands at Squakheag were originally granted, at this Second Settlement. From an incidental allusion in one of the town votes, it is believed that a sum of money was subscribed in advance by each engager, the sum total of which was to be used in payment for land purchases, expense of surveying, and other antecedent charges. A certain sum thus put down entitled the subscriber to 30 acres of interval; more to more, and less to less, in proper ratio. Thus the number of acres set against each man's name in the Committee's list (see *ante*, p. 95), represented his *estate*, and was the basis of taxation for public charges. A rate, laid in 1688, for building a meeting-house and bridge, was levied on this list of lands. The home-lots, being of equal size, were not taxed for these public charges.

It is to be borne in mind that the allotment now made, was not in addition to the grants set down in the Committee's list, but was only the filling up of those grants.

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[1] The Hadley mill had been in possession of Robert Boltwood and his son Samuel. Nov. 1, 1683, the town bought out their right, and took possession: but difficulty arising, the town surrendered the property back to the Boltwoods, May 1, 1685.

[2] The stream on which *the first mill* in a town was built, was commonly named *Mill brook.*

In this apportionment of outlying intervals, it was the aim of the Committee that each settler should have *his just proportion* of the more desirable lands, such as Great meadow and Pauchaug, as well as of the distant plains and meadows. To secure a more substantial equality, the larger meadows were first marked off into 2 or 3 nearly equal parts, and each man received a lot in each part, or a lot in one part equivalent in value to the 2 or 3.

Great meadow was divided into 3 parts. The first division embraced 17 lots, the smallest being 2¼ and the largest 11¼ acres; the second division had 25 lots, varying from 2 to 22½ acres; the third division had 16 lots of from 1½ to 5 acres each.

Pauchaug was divided into 2 parts, and each division into 18 lots which were assigned to new comers. These lots varied in size from 6 to 10 acres each.

Bennett's meadow was cut into 2 parts, and each part into 16 lots. These lots were granted in the ratio of 1 acre for every 10 acres as given in the Committee's list — 30 acres drew 3, etc.

Great swamp was divided into 32 lots, and each grantee of 30 acres drew 5½ acres, and so more or less as the case might be. This was the only supply of wood handy to the town, and such as failed to receive a share here, probably were expected to supply their wants from the patches growing on the commons, or on the banks of the streams.

Little meadow, which lay on the west side of the river "opposite the upper end of Pauchaug," contained about 24 acres and was divided into 16 lots, each of which had from 1¼ to 1⅝ acres.

Third meadow, on the west side "above Pauchaug," (separated from Little meadow by a wooded ravine) was estimated at 36 acres, and divided into 16 lots, varying from ⅝ to 5 acres each.

The Fifth meadow draught or Great meadow west, comprised lands on both sides of the river. The east division, "lying triangular on both sides of a brook," had 12 lots; the west division had 19 lots, ranging from 1¾ to 7½ acres each, being in about the ratio of 3¼ acres to each 30 acre grant.

The Ashuelot draught, comprised the meadow and open lands at the mouth of the Ashuelot, and the meadows opposite on the west side of the Connecticut. The east division contained about 23 acres, parceled into 9 lots; the west division of about 70 acres was parceled into 22 lots. The lots varied in size from 1¼ to 7¾ acres, the majority containing 2½ acres.

A lot of 11½ acres, in the meadow on the east side of the Connecticut "above the Ashuelot draught," was granted to Cornelius Merry, whence originated the name *Merry's meadow*, applied in later records to the tract above old Fort Hill.

Moose plain, reckoned at about 120 acres, was divided into 18 lots, ranging from 3¼ to 15¾ acres each.

A year later, Wells's meadow (below the Fifth meadow draught), and Wells's plain (above Moose plain), were apportioned to the settlers.

A home-lot of 7½ acres, and 46 acres of interval were reserved for a minister. Meadowlands were also set apart and reserved for "the smith."

Burying-Ground. — A piece of land was reserved for a burying-place on the meadow hill,[1] and a way to it through Samuel Dickinson's home-lot (the Joseph Dickinson lot); "and we have allowed him two rods more than his due for yᵉ way, on the north side of his lot."

This year, highways, or more properly meadow-roads, were laid out as follows: one of two rods wide through the Great meadow by the town, from the south end to the north end across every man's lot; also a cross highway to the meadow, between the minister's lot and William Miller's lot; two rods wide through Pauchaug from south to north across all the lots; two rods wide through every man's lot in the Ashuelot draught west; also 2 highways one rod wide each, from south to north through Bennett's meadow, one on the plain below the great hill, and one in the meadow; and "a parcel of land from Parsons's lot to the Rock is reserved to set hay and corn on for conveniency"; one rod wide through the lots in Little meadow, from south to north, with an allowance of space at the south end upon William Clarke's land "sufficient to turn carts on"; one rod wide through the Third meadow, with conveniency for turning carts; two rods wide through all that meadow called the Fifth meadow or Great-meadow west, through every man's lot.

The Commons.— All the lands not divided and apportioned, were called Common land, or Town land; and were open for pasturage without restriction, to all the inhabitants.

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[1] The tradition is, that Sergt. Samuel Wright was killed on this spot by the Indians, Sept. 2, 1675, and his bones, when found, were interred where he fell; which circumstance decided the location of the cemetery.

1686. At the town meeting March 18, 1686, the following officers were chosen: Ensign John Lyman and Benjamin Palmer, Supervisors of the place. Micah Mudge, Constable for the year ensuing. John Clary Jr. and John Lyman, fence viewers. Micah Mudge and Benjamin Palmer, measurers of land: "And it is ordered that they shall have two pence every acre, if the proprietors be not with them, if they be, they are to have but one penny for measuring."

It is ordered that if any home-lot shall fall short in measure, they shall have it made up elsewhere: and what it is wanting in quality to be made up in quantity.

MEADOW FENCES.— At the same meeting, "ordered, that the fence about the Great Meadow shall be made up by the 16th of April next insuing, sufficient according to law, that is to say, thick and strong according to the judgment of the fence-viewers; and if any do neglect to make their fence according to this order, they shall forfeit for every week's neglect 2 shillings and 6 pence every rod, besides all other damage.

It is ordered that Pauchaug shall be fenced in by the beginning of May next insuing, upon the forfeit of 4 shillings and six pence per rod for every week's neglect, besides all other damages.

As the matter of *fencing* was one of the heavy burdens on the new settler, a brief account will here be given. All the cattle and usually the hogs were suffered to run at large. Grain fields and mow lands were thus exposed to constant depredation. For each man to fence around his separate lot would be enormously expensive and was unnecessary. And so "common fences" around "common fields," to be regulated by the town, was the rule adopted. Each proprietor was required to make and maintain fence according to the number of acres he held in the field or meadow, and to have a stake 12 inches high at the end of his fence, with the two first letters of his name, facing the way the fence runs. The home-lot fences were usually made of posts and rails. Meadow fences were sometimes of the same, and sometimes consisted of a broad ditch with stakes and two or three poles set on the bank, making the whole full four feet in height.

FERRY.— A lot 26 rods wide was reserved and laid out upon Moose plain for a highway and ferry. This was what is known as the Prindle ferry.

NEW FORT.— A new fort was built early this year on the John Clary home-lot. This was necessary for the protection of the mill, and as a resort for the families located at this end of the street. The site of this fort, which was on the height of land south of the Mill brook (now known as the Capt. White lot) was favorable for observation and defence. The tradition is that it was a strong work, built of logs, with a mount at the northwest corner. The stone foundation was in place 50 years ago, and the well is still perfect.

May 24, 1686. A new deed of the tract of land between Miller's brook on the south, and Mill brook, on the north, originally purchased in 1671 (see *ante*, p. 52), was taken of the Indians. This implies that the savages were in the neighborhood; and the fact that their demand for additional pay was yielded to shows that it was thought necessary to conciliate them. And the appointment of John Lyman as ensign of the militia at Northfield this spring, and the building of a new fort indicate the state of apprehension which prevailed. Probably *watches* were kept at night, and *wards* in the day-time, from the 1st of May to the time of the "fall of the leaves" — the Indians commonly choosing this season for their attacks, as the leaves afforded better concealment. All males from 16 to 60, except those exempted by law, were required to train four days in a year, and were liable at all times to be called upon to take their turn in watching, warding and scouting.[1]

The plan on the next page exhibits the home-lots as located by the Committee, and includes all, except Moses Lyman's and Judah Hutchinson's, that had been assigned and taken up as late as the spring of 1687. Several of them were not occupied at this date, and some of them must have remained unoccupied during this Settlement. According to a statement of Micah Mudge and Samuel Davis, "about 25 families" actually built houses on their home-lots. All named on the plan, however, except Richard Francis, were taxed in Northfield, and they or their heirs claimed a title to the lots, at a subsequent time. The records contain no evidence to show that George Alexander, Joseph Parsons, Robert Lyman, Mr. William Janes, Richard Lyman or William Clarke became actual residents in this second attempt — though they paid annual taxes: and it is doubtful if any one to represent Samuel Wright took possession of his home-lot. Deducting these names, leaves (including Moses Lyman and Judah Hutchinson) 29 as the number of actual settlers. And all the 29, except John Hutchinson and Ralph Hutchinson, are known to have been in Northfield at

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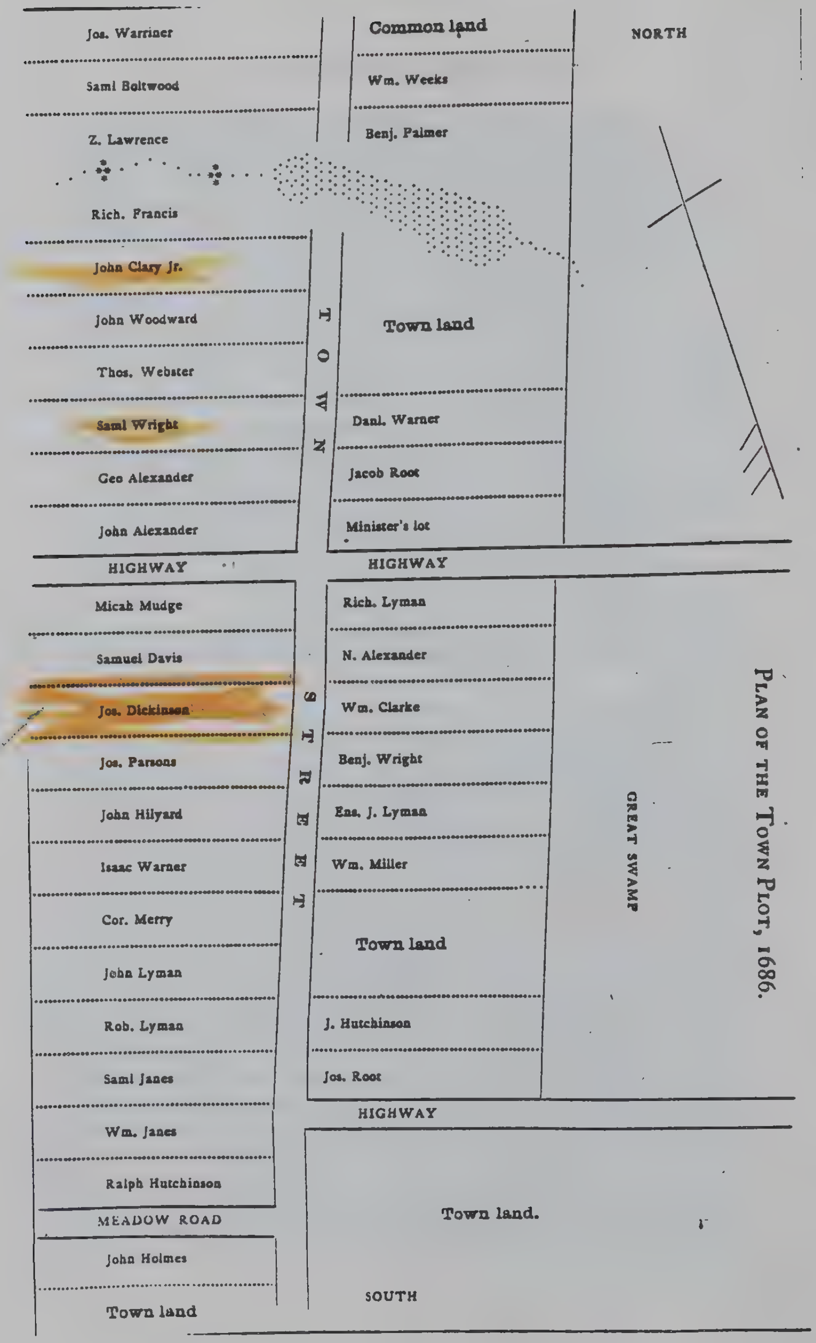
[1] Every town was required by law to provide a suitable watch-house, with candles, and wood. In time of peace, watches were under control of the town constable; in time of war, they were under the military authorities.



Plan of the Town Plot, 1686.

this time. Thus the statement of Mudge and Davis is substantially corroborated.

A brief sketch of the *new comers* is in place here.

Nathaniel Alexander, was the 5th child of George (see Settlers of 1673). His w. was Hannah Allen, dau. of Samuel. Neither of his sons lived to marry: and after the Third Settlement, he sold his home-lot to his nephew Ebenezer Alexander, and went to live with his dau. Hannah, the w. of Samuel Boltwood Jr. of Hadley.

Samuel Boltwood. His father Robert was early at Wethersfield (east side); afterwards of Hadley. Samuel, known as Sergeant Boltwood, was an engager for Northfield in 1683, but did not go up till '86. He was a man of remarkable strength, and great bravery, and "a noted wolf killer." He m. Sarah Lewis, dau. of Capt. William of Farmington, Ct. When Northfield was deserted he returned to Hadley; was slain (with his son Robert) at Deerfield, Feb. 29, 1704. Several of his children married into Northfield families.

John Clary Jr., was son of John of Watertown and Hadley. He built the first grist-mill in N. 1685. He (with his dau. Sarah aged 15) was killed by the Indians at or near his mill, Aug. 16, 1688. His w. was dau. of the first Nathaniel Dickinson of Hadley and sister of Joseph of Northfield who was k. with Capt. Beers.

Samuel Davis was the son of William of Roxbury. Was at Northampton 1668. He was a leading man in the Northfield settlement, and did not desert the place till the spring of 1690. He d. at Northampton July 26, 1690. Mary Davis of Northampton, dau. of his son John, held a right in his lands and was taxed in Northfield 1718.

Samuel Dickinson, son of Joseph, represented his father's rights in Northfield during this Settlement.

Richard Francis. Probably from Dorchester, and one of the 16 young men who in 1669 could not prove an "orderly living," and the constables were ordered to look after them. He was clerk of Capt. Turner's company in Philip's war: named in Northampton records 1675; took oath of fid. at Nh^n. Feb. 8, 1679. He was one of the Northfield engagers, 1683; received a grant of a home-lot and 36 acres of interval in 1684; received a special grant of 10 acres north of Four-mile brook, Mar. 18, 1686. He did not remove to Northfield, and his home-lot was given to John Clary Jr. He d. before Feb. 8, 1715.

William Gurley, said to be of Scotch descent. He was brought up in the family of Rev. Solomon Stoddard. Is named as an inhabitant of Northampton Feb. 8, 1679. He m. 1684, Esther Ingersoll.

Had grant of home-lot, etc., in Northfield 1684, and special grant of 10 acres north of Four-mile brook Mar. 18, 1686, but did not take possession. He was drowned at Northampton May 21, 1687.

JOHN HOLMES, took oath of fid. at Northampton Feb. 8, 1679. He received a grant of a home-lot at Northfield, and built on it in 1686. The place, now owned by Joseph B. Callender, was known as the Holmes lot for several generations. After the desertion of the plantation he removed to Deerfield, and d. 1692.

THOMAS HUNT. He was the oldest son of Dea. Jona. and Clemence (Hosmer) Hunt of Northampton. Had grant of home-lot and 20 acres of land at Northfield 1684; and special grant of 10 acres north of Four-mile brook March 18, 1686; but did not remove thither. He was living in Lebanon, Ct., 1700: was an original member of the church in Lebanon.

JOHN HUTCHINSON, was the son of Ralph. After the desertion of Northfield, he removed to Lebanon, Ct.

JUDAH HUTCHINSON, son of Ralph, was a prominent man in Northfield during the Second Settlement; perhaps occupied his father's home-lot. Lived afterwards at Northampton.

SAMUEL HUTCHINSON, son of Ralph. In 1686 he received a grant of 15 acres in the Three Little Meadows below the town, and was admitted "an inhabitant" of Northfield. He probably did not reside permanently here. Was living at Lebanon, Ct., 1718, and was taxed on land in Northfield that year.

SAMUEL JANES, was son of Elder William. Had a home-lot in Northfield — probably one of his father's rights, which was confirmed to him in 1685, and on which he was living in 1688. He was k. by Indians at Pascomock May 13, 1704.

JOSEPH JANES, son of Elder William: unm.: d. 1695. Mar. 18, 1686, he received grant of a home-lot and an island at Northfield, but did not build and inhabit.

ZACHERY LAWRENCE. He was probably son of John and Elizabeth Lawrence of Watertown, b. Mar. 9, 1659. His land grants at Northfield 1684 were,

Home-lot, next north of Mill brook, . . .	7½ acres.	
Great Meadow, first lot, ...	2	
Great Meadow, second lot, ...	1½	
Pauchaug, ...	9	
Little meadow, west of river, ...	1¼	
Second meadow, do., ...	3¼	
Ashuelot draught, west, ...	1½	
Special grant Mar. 18, 1686, ...	10	Total 36 acres.

He was chosen hayward Feb. 29, 1688. In 1714, he was a resident of Hatfield.

Ensign John Lyman, was son of Richard the first: born in England, came over with his father 1631. Lived in Branford, Ct. and at Northampton. He was appointed one of the Committee for Northfield, May 24, 1682, whither he removed in the summer of '86. He returned to Northampton, prob. in '88, and d. Aug. 20, 1690.

Moses Lyman, was son of Ensign John. Had a home-lot and other lands in Northfield, granted Apr. 1687. He was living in Northfield, 1688. His son Moses, commonly called Capt. Moses, claimed his father's rights in N. in 1714.

John Lyman, son of Robert, had grant of a home-lot (next N. of his father's), and 31 acres of interval and woodland in the spring of 1686. Was a resident and held office that year.

Richard Lyman, son of Richard Jr. He had a home-lot and lands in N. 1686; or rather he took the lands which were forfeited and alienated by John Marsh Jr., whose father m. his mother. It is not probable that his family came to this town. He removed from Northampton to Lebanon, Ct., 1696.

John Marsh Jr. His f. John was of Hartford, Hadley, Northampton, and Hartford again: m. for 2d w. Hepzibah Lyman, wid. of Richard Jr. John Marsh Jr. m. Sarah Lyman, dau. of his stepmother. He forfeited his home-lot and lands in N. which were taken by his bro.-in-law Richard Lyman.

Benjamin Palmer, was a leading man in the town. His lineage has not been ascertained. Benjamin Palmer, then of Plainfield, Ct., sold Dec. 29, 1702, his lands in Northfield to Enoch Randall of Enfield.

Robert Poag or **Poick**. His name is on the list of inhabitants of Hatfield, 1679. Received grant of 10 acres of land north of Four-mile brook Mar. 18, 1686. He d. at Northampton, returning from a journey, Jan. 14, 1702.

Joseph Pumery, was the youngest son of Eltweed. He forfeited his grant by non-residence. Was living at Colchester, Ct., 1701. His w. was Hannah, dau. of Richard Jr. and Hepzibah Lyman.

Joseph Root, was eldest son of Thomas Sen. He had a home-lot and 33½ acres of land, granted in 1686.

Jacob Root, son of Thomas Sen. He received a grant of a home-lot and 39½ acres of interval, at the same time as his bro. Joseph. His w. was a dau. of Sampson Frary. He removed to Hebron Ct.

John Taylor. He was of Northampton, Captain of the Hampshire troop: k. by the Indians in the pursuit after the massacre at Pascomock, May 13, 1704. His w. was Thankful Woodward, sister of John. He was an engager for Northfield 1683. The home-lot set to him was the second north of Mill brook; he had 30 acres of interval: and Mar. 18, 1686, received a special grant of 10 acres north of Four-mile brook. He did not take possession. His son, Sergt. Thomas, and grandson Thomas, will figure largely in our subsequent history.

Isaac Warner, an engager 1683, was son of Andrew of Cambridge, Hartford and Hadley. He was a man of influence in the new plantation. He d. at Deerfield, 1691. His w. was Sarah Boltwood, dau. of Robert, and sister of Sergt. Samuel.

Daniel Warner, a brother of Isaac: settled in Hatfield, removed to Northfield 1685 or 6; d. at Hatfield, 1692. His 2d w. was Martha Boltwood, sister of Isaac's wife.

Eleazar Warner, was son of John of Ipswich, Brookfield, and Hadley. He was an engager for Northfield 1683, but forfeited his right, and the land was assigned to William Weeks.

Joseph Warriner, son of William of Springfield. He took Joseph Pumery's land rights; was a man of some prominence. When the place was abandoned, he removed to Enfield, where he d. 1697.

William Weeks. Was probably from Dorchester; son of William; if so, he was b. 1658. He took the land grants first set off to Eleazar Warner. In June 1688, he had a lot in Wells's plain, which is thus described: "On the east side of the great river, above the meadow called Pauchaug above the first brook, one parcel of land, bounded W. the river, E. the hill, S. the first brook, N. against the lower end of an island called Mr. Janes's island — this Wm. Weeks hath, about 7 acres."

John Woodward, only son of Henry of Dorchester and Northampton. He built at Northfield 1685 or 6; after the desertion in '90, he removed to Westfield; thence about 1700 to Lebanon, Ct.

Benjamin Wright, the captain, son of Samuel who was k. by the Indians Sept. 2, 1675. He was b. at Northampton July 13, 1660; m. (1) Mar. 22, 1681, Thankful Taylor, dau. of Capt. John. She d. April 4, 1701. He m. (2) July 19, 1701, Mary Barker of Springfield. He lived to return to Northfield in 1714, and will come more prominently into notice during that period of our history.

1687. Few items of public interest can be gleaned from the records of this year. The necessities of food and shelter, and the measurement and staking off of allotted lands, filled up the season.

CATERPILLARS.—An extract from a letter written July 5, by John Pynchon, gives intimation of a singular plague which visited the river towns this summer. "We are sorely afflicted by caterpillars or such like worms eating our corn, and in some places eating y^{e} grass and shearing it clean, so that unless y^{e} Lord remove y^{m} our people will be sorely distressed. I hear it in so many other towns about us: y^{e} Lord grant that it may not be so with you [in Boston] and in mercy put a stop to their progress that we may have sustenance."

Though the major part of the meadows north of Mill brook had been divided to the settlers, and many lots were actually in tillage, yet the Indian title had not been extinguished. And August 13th a purchase of this large tract, comprising all of Nawelet's possessions on the river, was consummated [*See ante*, p. 54].

Thus in all, the Northfield proprietors purchased three parcels of land, viz: *Mashepetot's land*, lying wholly on the west side of the river, extending from the brook Nallahamcongo or Natanis on the south to Massemet's land on the north, and running six miles into the woods. *Massemet's land*, lying on both sides of the river and bounded by Mashepetot's land on the south, north by the brook Cowas, and running back 6 miles from the river on either side. *Nawelet's land*, lying on both sides of the river, and bounded south by Massemet's land, north by the brook Wanascatok and running back 6 miles from the river on either side.

1688. At the annual town meeting held Feb. 29, 1688, the following officers were chosen:

Nathaniel Alexander, constable.
Jacob Root, Wm. Miller, Judah Hutchinson, measurers of land.
Isaac Warner, Jacob Root, fence viewers for Great meadow.
Joseph Warriner, Samuel Boltwood, fence viewers for Pauchaug.
Zachery Lawrence, Joseph Root, haords for both meadows.
Moses Lyman, Wm. Miller, highway wardens.

"*Voted*, That all those that have grants of land shall be here with their families, or forfeit their grant and what they have done upon it, according to your (the Committee's) order to the use of the town, by the tenth (10th) day of May next ensuing."

The prosperous condition and public spirit of the new settlers may be inferred from the following action, taken at the same meeting: *Voted*, to gather a rate of 40 pounds 5 shillings, to be levied on the grants of meadow lands, for to build a meeting-house and a bridge over Mill brook. John Clary Jr. was chosen to present this last vote to the Committee for their approval. He went to Northampton with the following letter:

> "Y^e^ toune of Northfield, conſidering y^e^ neceſsity of a meteinge hous for to mete in, and alſoe to build a bridg over y^e^ mill brooke being orderly met together did voat and were yunnanamus in owr voat to bild a Meeting hous & the sade brige, and alſoe voated to make a Reat of fforty pounds, and to raſe it uppon grants of land for y^e^ defraying of y^e^ charges of ſade meteing hous & brige, as atteſte
>
> Joseph Warriner
> Samuel Davis."

This action of the town was approved by the Committee, and the assessment was made; but as rates were mostly payable in grain, and were often laid in anticipation of a crop, it is not likely that the purpose of the voters was carried out. Besides, the frontiers were beginning to feel sensibly the effects of the arbitrary measures of the king, who had annulled the Colonial charters, and placed the despotic Andros in authority over New England. Commercial interests were paralyzed; and the conflict between Andros and the people, who still clung to their rights, weakened both the civil and the military arms. The French authorities in Canada were not slow to take advantage of this distracted state of affairs, and were instigating the Indians to renew their depredations on the exposed settlements.

But as yet no signs of evil alarmed the Northfield settlers. They were inured to danger; and like men bent on a great purpose, and trustful of a Divine Providence that permitted evil only as a merited chastisement, they went on with their allotted work. At a meeting held April 11th,

> "It was voted and agreed by the Proprietors of Northfield to give to each of our honored Committee, Mr. William Clarke, Deacon William Holton, Sergt. John King and Enſign Preſerved Clap, five acres of interval land in the Three Little Meadows, without paying any purchaſe money, and it is to lye clear of any town charges whatſoever. This land is to pay them, the above named Committee, for all their coſt pains and labor about the ſettling of the ſaid Northfield; and if they ſerve a year or two more, we will not demand full pay of them."

In June, the lots in Wells's meadow, and the Wells plain draught, which comprised the high and broken lands on both sides of the river between Wells's meadow and the Moose plain draught, were reärranged and assigned to permanent settlers.

In a word, the recorded public action of the planters this spring, all implies that they felt strong and confident. They form plans for the future, as if conscious that the foundations were well and securely laid; as if the time of uncertainty and experiment was passed, and they could rely on the devotion and firmness of all who had become inhabitants, and could shake off the timid and hesitating engagers; as if they had a right to emerge from the privation period, into the privileges and independence of Christian society — of which the Meeting-house and bridge are two characteristic emblems.

But in the latter part of June, while they were engaged in making their crop of English hay, the enemy was stealthily approaching the border.

The story of this summer is best told in the official documents of the time.

AFFIDAVIT OF JEAN ROSIE. "John Roſie of the city of Albany aged 34 or thereabouts being examined ſaith: That on the 11th of June laſt he went from Albany with Derick Weſsells, who was sent by Gov^r Dongan to carry the truce or ceſsation made between y^e Kings of England and ffrance to the Gov^r of Canada; and the 22d following came with him to Mount Royal where they found the ſ^d Gov^r of Canada, and there he saw the ſ^d D. Weſsells y^e ſame day deliver y^e letters of the ſ^d ceſsation to y^e Gov^{rs} own hand."

Sworn to Sept. 25, 1688.[1]

"ACLORAMAK and WALNAKANE two Sachems of y^e Meeklanders, examined by Capt. Wendell 24th Auguſt 1688 ſaid: They had 8 men of their Indians out a hunting, betwixt Canada and y^e North[2] about a month since, and there met 12 of the North Indians y^t live in Canada, and had great diſcourſe together: And ſecondly, to fire one upon another ours found themſelves too weak and told them they were friends and relations together; and it was peace, and had orders not to fight any more. They ſaid, they were ſent out by the French Governor to kill Chriſtians and Indians, and ſhould go to the North, and they could not then abſtain from it becauſe it was peace. Y^e Captains names of them: Wampeolak, Nahainſett. Soldiers: — Wae-lae-mae-quit, Ota-ſa-wa-ſett and his bro: Wa-ſees, Mae-qua-wee-bain-pa-weet, Mack-to-wan, Ta-ma-wa-ra-hack, Wa-ha-ro-hack; y^e others they know not by name: And they now underſtand by the Indians y^t came with D. Weſsells from Canada that there is now 8 more out y^t way to do miſchief, and they think they have done the miſchief to y^e Chriſtians."[3]

THE EXAMINATION of an Indian called Magsigpen alias Graypoose, taken in Albany the 15th day of September, 1688:

Saith, that returning from Canada with the Maquas, who had been fighting there, Left ſ^d Maquas in the Lake and went with the Scagkook Indians a hunting being eight together in number, coming upon a creek called Magkaneweeck, met with four Indians viz. Jethro and others, and ſo went down ſ^d creek together. And were ſeen by eleven Indians that formally lived in New England and now in Canada, who followed them all the night (as afterwards they underſtood of them). Coming to a fall, carried their canoes into the great River of Connecticut ; and juſt as they were a going into their canoes the ſ^d eleven North Indians came running out of the woods, preſented their arms upon the Scagkook Indians and called *Who are you?* And this examinant anſwered, Scagkook Indians. The North Indians further aſked, where are you a going and what is your buſineſs? The Scagkook Indians replied, We are a hunting. *What people are you*, and what your buſineſs? The North Indians ſaid, We live in Canada — We are going to fight by order of the Governor of Canada, who told us the Maquas have done great miſchief in Canada, therefore go you, revenge the ſame either on Chriſtians or Indians : Kill all what you can, bring no priſoners but their ſcalps, and I'll give you ten beavers for every one of them. — Then the North Indians made canoes there and ſo went down the River together two days, being continually upon their guard without ſleeping, challenging the one the other. The eight Scagkook Indians told the French Indians, we have been in Canada with the Maquas, and are you come to revenge it? Why do not you fall upon us? The North Indians anſwered, Derick Weſsells hath been in Canada and brought tidings there that a ceſsation was made of all hoſtility between the two governments, and he was but four days gone from Canada when we came from there. Upon which the Scagkook Indians replied, How, is there a ceſsation, and do you go out ſtill? We know nothing of it. And ſo talking together came to a place called Soquagkeeke [Squakheag] where ſome chriſtians live and to a place called Deerfield. There they went to the houſe of one Mr. Thomas Wells, where they lodged with three of the North Indians. The Scagkook Indians went and told the chriſtians [at Squakheag], There are eleven Indians that are come from Canada, be upon your guard, we know not whether their hearts are good. The chriſtians anſwered, We are not afraid of them : we are not concerned in the wars of Canada. * * *

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[1] *Mass. State Archives*, CXXIX, 215.

[2] The terms "North" and "North Indians" in these papers, refer to Northfield and Deerfield, and the Squakheag and Pacomtock Indians.

[3] *Mass. State Archives*, CXXIX, 136.

The ſ^d. Examinant further ſaith that the names of the ſ^d eleven North Indians are as followeth, viz. The chief is called
Wampolack, from pennecooke
Nanauqueſeek, from pennecooke
Walamaqueet, lived formerly in y^e halfe Moone
Maquawekanpaweet, from pennekooke and his ſon whoſe name they know no
Tawawekakeak a Minenaet, from pennekooke
Wawanwejagtack of Quaboag
Wawagquohaet of Quaboag
Togpagkamin of Naſsawack
Maghtwaen of pakantecooke
Quaetſeits a Wappinger of Hudſon's River

And further ſaith not."[1]

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[1] *Mass. State Archives*, xxx, 311.

From these statements it appears that this party of 11 Indians, *hired by the French authorities in Canada to kill and scalp* friendly Indians and whites, passed down through Northfield the 23d or 24th of July: that the friendly Scagkooks gave the settlers warning of their hostile intentions: and that our people, trusting to *the sacredness of a truce* between the English and French governments, failed to take the alarm. Three of these 11 Indians stopped over night with Thomas Wells of Deerfield, while the rest went down the river.

Within the week, (July 27,) 5 peaceable Indians dwelling at Spectacle pond near Springfield, were found murdered; but no trace was discovered of the murderers.

The day after this murder (July 28), a party of strange Indians was seen in the vicinity of Northfield.

> "THE EXAMINATION of Micah Mudge of Northfield aged 38 years or thereabouts, taken the 15th October, 1688.
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> "The ſd Examinant ſaith, that about the latter end of July, the news being come to their town of ſeveral Indians murdered by Indians and others taken at Spectacle Pond near Springfield, and that ſeveral ſtrange Indians were ſeen about their town, and not coming in, he, with eleven men more went out to see what Indians they were and what their intent was; and having travelled all an afternoon, about ye duſk of ye evening found ſeveral Indians by a fire on ye ſide of a hill about a mile from ye town, and coming near they called to them, and immediately ye Indians ſtood to their arms, and after diſcourſed together about their being there and not coming to ye town; and ye Indians told them they were going to Penecook, and that ſome lately came from there. That this examinant ſaw amongſt them Wahacoet and Cungowaſco two Indians he was well acquainted with, and ſeveral others who he knew to be North Indians formerly belonging to theſe parts, but does not remember their names. That this Examinant offering to go towards their fire was hindered by the ſaid Cungowaſco, but was after led to ye ſame by Wahacoet, where he ſaw about ſeven Indians in warlike poſture. That this examinant thereupon told them that there was peace between ye Kings of England and ffrance, which Wahacoet replied he knew well enough and promiſed ye next morning to come in to Northfield, which they did not."[1]

An extract from Col. Pynchon's Diary of Accounts of this date, throws important light on the transactions now under consideration:

> "July 30, 1688. I ſet out from Springfield on my journey to New London to wait upon his Excellency Govr Andros's orders there: when ye expenſes of man and horſes, ferriages, etc., in my journey thither were £0 12 6.
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> "Aug. 3. To expenſes on my return back, being ſent home with orders by his Excellency £0 9 0
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> "Aug. 6th to ye 11th, When I went from Springfield towards Northfield by

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[1] *Mass. State Archives*, cxxix, 243.

Northampton and thro' thoſe upper towns to order affairs : two men with me from Springfield 5 days out ; Ferriage of men and horſes at Springfield and expenſes in ſ^{d} journey came to £0 18 0.

To 24 ſoldiers I took then up with me from y^{e} upper towns ; the ferriage of their coming back from Northfield (for we ſwam them going up) ; To Drinks at y^{e} diſcharging y^{e} ſ^{d} ſoldiers, and my paying y^{e} expenſes of y^{m} and many occaſional charges aſſiſting at y^{e} fortifications at Northfield : I diſcharging y^{m} y^{t} I took at this time wholly, hoping all things would have been ſettled ſo as to have no further account (which afterwards proved otherwiſe) Wherefore diſburſed £3 17 0.

To a Poſt ſent up to me from Spring^{d} to North^{n} when I was there, to give an Acc^{t} of y^{e} Hartford Indians being come up y^{e} day I went from home, and for my orders concerning y^{m} £0 5 0.

To y^{e} ſaid 20 Indians from Hartford (who came up to give an Acc^{t} of many Indian tracks ſeen in y^{e} woods and fearing there were many in thoſe parts, and to take care of Spring^{d} and y^{e} Indians with us) their entertainment 2 nights and a day £0 12 0.

To 11 Indians from Farmington there upon the ſame errand £0 6 0.

To 2 men and horſes I sent out upon diſcovery that very day y^{e} Indians were killed at Spectacle Pond £0 4 0.

To 4 men ſent to bury thoſe Indians there killed, and 2 that ſcouted out that day, being y^{e} day after they were killed £0 10 0.

To Poſts ſent upon occaſion of this murder to y^{e} three next towns, viz. a man to each town & horſe £0 5 0.

To expenſe at Spring^{d} : the fortifications I ordered to be made by men appointed thereto, and ſo, for the general, it was borne, yet at each particular I was at ſuch expenſe as I charged, viz. £1 0 0.

To a man and horſe with me to Weſtfield to order matters there & ferriage £0 5 0.

To ſoldiers from Spring^{d} which I had ordered to come to me to Northfield, and were upon the journey : But having ſettled things in ſo good a poſture y^{t} I conſidered all was well, I diſcharged y^{m} £0 10 0.

To a horſe, Benjamin Cooleys, I had in y^{e} ſervice whoſe back was extremely galled and coſt me 10d. which I paid to y^{e} man £0 10 0.

Other charges £1. 0 0
Total £11 15 6
John Pynchon Lt. Col.

The fortifications at Northfield, alluded to in the diary, were the South and North forts, already described in this chapter. And at this time or soon after, a new fort was built on the north east corner of Micah Mudge's home-lot (the site is now marked by a well a little south easterly of the dwelling-house of Col. Charles Pomeroy). And a small garrison-house was erected at the lower end of the street, "to secure their passage to and from the Great meadow." Tradition locates this garrison on the John Wright place, opposite the south road to the meadow.

The prompt action of Col. Pynchon inspired courage, and the defensive works now in good repair inspired confidence in our people. The barley-harvest and flax-pulling now pressed; and the alarm raised by the murder at Spectacle pond, and the simultaneous appearance of strange Indians near the town, seems to have subsided; and perhaps watching and warding became remiss.

The Indians waited "near three weeks" before the favorable opportunity came for striking the intended blow!

"On the 16th of August, six persons, three men, two women and a girl, were murdered by Indians at Northfield!"—so writes Micah Mudge, and adds, "a hatchet was found beside one of the persons murdered, which was seen and well known to have been with those eleven Indians when they passed thro' Northfield on their way to Deerfield."

The following affidavit of Thomas Wells of Deerfield—though to some extent a repetition of facts already narrated—contains so many incidents of interest bearing on this assault, that it is inserted in full.

"THE EXAMINATION of Thomas Wells, aged 36 years or thereabouts, taken Oct. 15, 1688.

"This Examinant ſaith that about the latter end of July there came by water to his houſe fifteen Indians, who after he had ſome diſcourſe with, he underſtood that eight of them were formerly North Indians but now lived near Albany, and had been out with y^e Maquas, and in their way home came to theſe parts to hunt. That four more were likewiſe North Indians whom y^e eight overtook a hunting; and that y^e other three were part of eleven Indians formerly North Indians, but now lived amongſt the ffrench, and came in purſuit of y^e ſ^d eight Indians whom together they overtook. That the Capt^n. or chief of y^e ſ^d eleven Indians was called Wahacoet, who not ſuffering his party to fall on y^e eight Indians when they met them eight of his company were diſpleaſed thereat and left him, and he and two others were y^e three that came with the other twelve to Deerfield. That all the ſ^d 15 Indians ſtaid one night at this examinant's houſe; that y^e next morning y^e ſaid 8 Indians went by land from Deerfield intending for Hatfield, and deſired y^e ſ^d Wahacoet and y^e other two to go with them, which he refuſed, but ſaid he would come to them by and by. Soon after y^e ſaid four Indians likewiſe intending for Hatfield by water, aſked y^e ſaid Wahacoet and y^e two Indians to go with them, but he likewiſe refuſed, but ſaid as before y^t he would come to them by and by. That ſoon after the ſaid 12 Indians were gone, Wahacoet and the two Indians went away by water and told this Examinant that he was going for Hatfield, and from thence to Boſton. But y^e next morning all y^e ſaid eight Indians and three of the four Indians came again to this Examinant's houſe, and finding that Wahacoet and y^{e} two others were gone and not come to them at Hatfield as they promiſed, One Camaghteſett who was Capt^{n} or chief of the ſaid 8 Indians told this examinant in y^{e} Indian language which he well underſtood, that y^{e} ſaid 11 Indians were rogues and that he feared they were gone to do miſchief, and that they would have done miſchief at Northfield as they came down the River, had they not been in company with them: And that the ſaid Wahacoet told him that they were ſent out by the ffrench, and had orders to kill Engliſh, Indians, Dutch and Maquas, and that he ſhould bring no Engliſh captives but only their ſcalps; and adviſed the Engliſh inhabitants to be careful of themſelves.— That about three days after, this examinant heard that five Indians were killed and others taken by Indians at Spectacle Pond near Springfield: And about three weeks after, that 3 men and 2 women and a girl were murdered by Indians at Northfield, which this examinant verily believes was done by the ſaid 11 Indians.[1]

From an allusion contained in a letter written by Col. Pynchon, it is evident that the killing of these six persons was done at night or early morning; and that the families assaulted lived near Clary's mill. A mass of human bones lying as if in one grave, with some rusty nails and knots to indicate rude coffins, was found by H. W. Webster, when cutting down the bank to make room for a wall south of his new barn. The remains of coffins sufficiently attest the fact that they are the bones of white settlers; and the proximity to the fort (which stood a few rods to the south), whither the slain would naturally be carried, indicates that this was the common grave of the 6 victims.

The utter consternation which seized the people at this "amazing stroke," is well illustrated by the fact that they dared not carry the bodies of their friends to the cemetery for burial; that one-half the families immediately left the town; and that the names of the persons killed were no where recorded. Careful investigation leaves no reasonable doubt, however, that the miller, John Clary, and his daughter Sarah, aged 15, were two of the number.

Early the same day, Samuel Janes and Josias Marshfield (the latter a garrison soldier), were despatched to carry the news to Col. Pynchon at Springfield. "The savages were at the upper end of the town when y^{e} messengers left."

"Auguſt 17. I ſent away Lieut. Thomas Colton with 16 ſoldiers from Spring^{d} to Northfield to ſurpriſe and take y^{e} Indians and purſue y^{m}, who were upon y^{e} ſervice 6 days, they returning back y^{e} 23d of Auguſt. I alſo ordered Lieut. Taylor and his Troop of 34 men to move towards y^{e} upper towns. I alſo ſent to Hartford for 30 or 40 Indians to go to Northfield, but only 2 coming up, I diſbanded y^{m}.

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[1] *Mass. State Archives*, CXXIX, 240.

"Auguſt 19. I ſent 6 men to Quaboag, y^{e} people then being about to remove: ordering and urging their continuance, only I ſent to fetch off ſuch women as deſired to come away.

"Auguſt 21. Two men, viz. Eben^{r} Graves and John Petty were ſent from Spring^{d} to garriſon Northfield, who ſtaid there till the 4th of September."—*Pynchon's Diary.*

During Gov^{r} Andros's progress from New London to New York, he received tidings of the Indian massacres in Massachusetts, and an order for troops to be furnished by Hartford reached Springfield Aug. 25, which was transmitted by Col. Pynchon the next day. Accordingly they sent from Hartford Sergt. John Bigelow with 15 soldiers on y^{e} 29th of August, who staid in garrison at Northfield till Oct. 9th, when they were all dismissed.

The same day 2 lbs. of powder and 6 lbs. of lead were forwarded to Northfield.

Sept. 6. Thomas Powell, James Mun and Nathaniel Blackleach were sent to garrison Northfield, and 25 lbs. of powder and 49 lbs. of bullets were sent by the same convoy. Mun remained in service 22 days, Blackleach 64 days, Powell 69 days, the last 5 of which he spent in scouting.

Sept. 11. Joseph Marks was ordered to Northfield for 1 week, and 4 fire lock guns were sent up for the garrison.

The records furnish evidence that Col. Pynchon, then the commanding officer in old Hampshire, was a true man, and did all that could be reasonably expected of him, to protect the frontiers. But the fact that he held his commission under Andros,[1] who was regarded by the people as a usurper and despot, greatly impaired his authority and paralyzed his efforts. A letter which he wrote early in November of this year, gives a characteristic picture of affairs, and has an important historical significance.

"Laſt Sabbath-day morning, I had a Poſt ſent me from Northfield ſignifying that y^{e} enemy was about them by many demonſtrations: The watch in y^{e} night diſcovered ſome to be about y^{e} garriſon, heard Indians whiſtle; In y^{e} morning early a man y^{t} went a little way from y^{e} garriſon found y^{e} cattle frighted, heard an Indian dog bark in y^{e} ſwamp. Eight men of the garriſon ſoldiers y^{t} went out found tracks of Indians, ſome bare foot and ſome with ſhoes. They deſired ſoldiers to ſcout out and prevent their doing miſchief.

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[1] Andros made Pynchon colonel of the Hampshire regiment in 1687, and Capt. Aaron Cooke major. After the fall of Andros, Pynchon returned to the rank of major, and Cooke to that of captain.

I preſently that very Sabbath day (knowing it would be too late if I ſtayed till they were deſtroyed and y^{t} it was better to prevent and might be a great check to y^{e} enemy our being beforehand) ſent away 15 men from Springfield who readily attended; gave orders to y^{e} upper towns for more to make up 50. At Northampton Serg^{t}. King cavilled about my power, hindered y^{e} Committee of Militia, told them Springfield men would not obey me (though it proved otherwiſe), that I had no power and they mattered me not and would not give 3 ſkips of a louſe for it, ſaid y^{e} Court could act nothing. He and Pomery [Capt. Medad] bid defiance to y^{e} old commiſsioned officers. Such a height of pride are matters come to there y^{t} nothing could or would be done by or from my orders and directions. But they ſaid they would, if any came from Springfield, go as volunteers; and ſo there went about 10 men that way. In all upwards of 40 men went to Northfield, ranged the woods, returning laſt Thurſday, but diſcovered nothing."

To go back to near the date of the murders at Northfield — Gov. Andros wrote, Aug. 25, 1688, from New York, to Major Gold:

* * "I cannot tell you how much I am concerned at the ſ^{d} miſchief and actors eſcaped. You are therefore to take care that due watch and ward be kept in your reſpective out places till further orders, and give notice to all Indians in your parts that if any miſchief be done by ſtrangers and they do not apprehend the actors, or if not ſtrong enough preſently to give us notice and join with our Militia, ſuch miſchiefs will be imputed to them."[1]

Some weeks later, he sent the following official letter to De Nonville, Governor of Canada:

"Albany Sept. 19, 1688.

"Sir — I am ſorry for the occaſion ſince my laſt letter, to acquaint you that I have an account of 5 of our Indians being murdered in their dwellings at a place called Spectacle Pond near Springfield on the Connecticut River; and ſince of 6 Chriſtians being likewiſe murdered at Northfield a ſmall and the uppermoſt ſettlement we have on that River; by Indians from your parts. And now I am aſsured was by ſome ſent out by yourſelf, after the ſignification of the Truce, who being well known, ſome of their names are here incloſed. I have alſo ſeen your letter to Gov^{r} Dongan of the 20th paſt by which you avow the not having reſtrained your Indians from hoſtility, till applications or aſsurances from ours: which I think very extraordinary, and need not ſay the importe, or what may be the conſequences thereof: but (if not already done) do deſire you will forthwith ſend the ſaid murderers to me.

S^{r}
Y^{r} moſt humble ſerv^{t}
E Andross."

Andros wrote again to the Gov^{r} of Canada, October 1, enclosing a copy of the above letter, which shows that no notice had been taken of his demand.

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[1] *Mass. State Archives*, cxxix, 137.

De Nonville answers both letters Oct. 23. His reply is diplomatic, equivocal; makes counter charges of bad faith; but plainly means no attempt to surrender the Indian murderers.[1]

Oct. 8, Ed. Randolph writes:

> "That morning his Excellency Gov. Andros, arrived from Albany at New York [Oct. 1], he had advices that men were raiſed at Boſton without his order, and ſent to Caſco Bay to aſsiſt the Chriſtians there againſt the Indians who had committed ſome diſorders thereabouts: all which and the uncertainty of reports from the eaſtward engages his Excellency to go from New York overland to Boſton (intending to viſit Northfield Springfield and other towns alarumed by thoſe miſchiefs) to prevent a ſecond Indian war."[2]

Andros left New York soon after the 8th of Oct.: spent a brief time at Hartford with John Allyn, and the other "principal officers and magistrates" of Connecticut; held a consultation with Col. Pynchon at Springfield, and reached Hadley the 14th or 15th. The *real object* of this visit (nominally to inquire into the condition of the Northfield plantation, and devise means for the safety and welfare of the distressed inhabitants of the frontiers) appears from the following respectful report of the "Committee for Northfield," dated Northampton Oct. 30, 1688, and addressed to Gov^r. Andros at Boston:

> "May it pleaſe y^r Excellency to remember when y^r Honor was at Hadley, you was pleaſed to ſend for us the Committee impowered for reſettling of Northfield, to come before yourſelf, to give you an account by what power we have acted in order to the reſettlement of that place. In obedience to your deſire, we have drawn up a brief account by what power we have acted and what we have done in order thereunto." [Then follows a careful ſummary of the doings of the Committee from 1682 to date, with an atteſted copy of the act of the General court, and a liſt of ſettlers. They cloſe in theſe words]: "Hon^d Sir, We have had a great deal of care and trouble in the reſettling of this Plantation. Many have had grants and have forfeited them again, ſo that we have had many meetings about it, which have not been without great expenſe of time and ſome charges to us. But we were willing to be at any pains ſo that we could ſettle the place.
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> "While we were writing of this, we did receive a paper from Northfield inhabitants wherein they did deſire the inhabitants which are not there may be ſent away [which have failed to occupy their grants or have deſerted the place may be declared forfeit of their rights], or elſe it will be hard for them to hold the place, becauſe it doth diſcourage thoſe that are there; they fear the place

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[1] *N. Y. Coll. Doc.*, III, 557, 569.

[2] *N. Y. Coll. Doc.*, III, 569.

will be deſerted. We have not elſe, but hope y^r Honor's wiſdom will direct to what may be for the beſt for the place.

So we reſt Y^r humble ſerv^{ts}

WILLIAM CLARKE
WILLIAM HOLTON
JOHN KING
PRESERVED CLAP."[1]

Sir Edmund and suite went from Hadley to Brookfield Oct. 16; and from there to Worcester and Marlborough. What he did at the latter place is best told in the following affidavit:

"Henry Kerley aged about 57, and Thomas How aged 35, both inhabitants of Marlborough, do teſtify that in the fall of the year 1688, when S^r Ed. Andros came from New York to Boſton, ſometime after the Indians had killed ſome Engliſhmen at Northfield, coming through our town of Marlborough, the ſ^d S^r Edmund examined this deponent, Henry Kerley, by what order we did fortify and garriſon our houſes: I anſwered, it was by order of Capt. Nicholſon. Said S^r Edmund then ſaid he had no power ſo to do. S^r Edmund examined what arms we made uſe of and carried with us on our watch, and what charge was given us: Anſwer was made by this deponent, they carried fire arms, and y^e charge was to keep a true watch, to examine all we met with, and ſecure ſuſpicious perſons that we met with. Said S^r Edmund ſaid, what if they will not be ſecured, and what if you ſhould kill them. Anſwer was made by y^e deponent, that if we ſhould kill them we were in our way. Then Mr. Randolph being there in company ſaid, you are in y^e way to be hanged. S^r Edmund Andros ſaid further, that perſons that had left their houſes to dwell in the garriſons, if they would not return, others ſhould be put in that would live there.

Boſton Dec. 27, 1689. Signed HENRY KERLEY
THOMAS HOW."[2]

About the time of Andros's visit to Hadley, the Rev. Warham Mather was engaged and sent to Northfield "to be their minister for half-a-year." His own petition, sent to the General court some years later gives all the facts of the transaction that are known.

The Petition of Warham Mather Humbly Sheweth — That the autumn before the laſt Revolution, the Hon. Capt. Nicholſon, purſuant of inſtructions rec^d from Sir Edmund Andros, upon murder committed at Northfield in this county of Hampſhire, by a certain number of Indians from Canada, who came into thoſe parts, to take a view eſpecially of that Town's circumſtances: There being a garriſon then there, and the town in danger of being deſerted by the inhabitants, and that the undertakers that had not as yet removed thither might not be diſcouraged: That he deſired him your petitioner to be their miniſter

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[1] *Mass. State Archives*, CXXIX, 306.

[2] *Mass. State Archives*, XXXV, 147.

for half-a-year, which was done accordingly. Suppoſing Sir Edmund and his Council would reward him for the ſame, only care was taken that the inhabitants find him proviſion. That Sir Edmund being informed what was done, promiſed to endeavor that an Act ſhould be paſsed for the payment of him fifteen pounds in money, which ſum was according to Capt. Nicholſon's engagement. But the Revolution happening before any care was taken for the payment thereof, your Petitioner hath had no requital for his ſervices. Therefore he humbly ſeeks to y^r Honors, that an order be made for the payment of £15 in money as above ſaid, having undeniable evidence that you are encouragers of Goſpel miniſters: in which ſtudy y^r ſervant is employed, who diſires ever to pray for you.[1]
Northampton May 18, 1691."

The claim of Mr. Mather was not denied; but from the unsettled state of affairs or other causes, the money was not granted and paid to him till 1700.

Nov. 1, 1688, Gov^r Andros, being then in Boston, issued an order to the Council of War at Hartford, for raising a company of 60 men in the Connecticut colony, to be placed under command of Col. Robert Treat, and sent to Northfield. The order was received at Hartford on the 9th; and the required company recruited, mustered, and sent up the river in command of Capt. Jonathan Bull, and remained in garrison at Northfield through the winter. These troops afforded a sufficient protection to the inhabitants; but as the Government had no commissary department, the soldiers, who were quartered on the families, ate up their substance. There could not have been more than 15 families left in the town, which gave an average of 4 soldiers to a household.

[The revolution which drove King James from the throne, and placed William and Mary there, began in Nov^r 1688. The king abdicated Dec. 11, and William and Mary accepted the crown Feb. 13, following. April 18, 1689, the people of Boston seized Andros, and restored the old governor, Simon Bradstreet.]

1689. The first glimpse we get of the Northfield settlers this spring, is through the following petition sent to the General court. It is in the hand writing of Rev. John Russell of Hadley.

"The tears, fears and groans of the broken remnant at Northfield preſenting themſelves before the Honor'd General Court at Boſton,

Shew: "That we are indeed objects of your pity and commiſeration, more than we know how to expreſs or maintain a due ſenſe of: the ſtate of our outward man is very afflictive, and for our ſouls we have need to cry aloud

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[1] *Mass. State Archives*, xxxvii, 31.

Have pity on us! for the hand of God hath touched us, and y^e^ Almighty hath dealt bitterly with us! A bitter cup of ſorrow, blood and ſlaughter was reached forth to us in y^e^ former Indian War. Our place burnt, and laid deſolate, our people ſlain, and y^e^ reſt all driven away; y^e^ town not only left waſte but alſo bearing ſad marks of divine wrath in that deſolation.

"Since which we thought we ſaw y^e^ Lord calling us to rebuild thoſe waſtes, went up under an expectation of having 40 families ſpeedily dwelling there. About 25 were come, and we in a hopeful way, when y^e^ Divine hand ſmote us again with an amazing ſtroke. Six perſons in a moment ſlain by Indians laſt ſummer, which was aſtoniſhment to all y^e^ reſt. Since which half of our ſmall number have deſerted us, yet keep the land which by covenant is not theirs till they have dwelt upon it four years. Hereby we are reduced to twelve mean families. Our ſmall number, in a place ſo remote, expoſed us to y^e^ rage of y^e^ heathen; as it were inviting them to prey upon us. Our eſtates are exhauſt by maintaining garriſon ſoldiers and being kept from our labor. Our burdens of watching, warding, fencing, highways — we for ourſelves and them that are abſent — overbearing to us; beſides all other hardſhips unavoidable in a new place. Our wives and children (that we ſay not ourſelves) ready to ſink with fears. We have no ſoul food, nor ſee any likelihood of attaining any. * * * If you ſee meet to order us to throw up all, and leave it wholly to the enemies, and their inſulting, Tho its hard (we feel it) we would ſubmit. If we ſtay, we could humbly beg, if your Honors ſee meet, that thoſe that have lots among us may be cauſed either to come and dwell on them, or quit them to others that would. And that ſuch as come may be ordered to have the next lots to them that are now inhabited. And that we may have a Committee for our help to order our public occaſions in this our weak beginning. * * * and ever praying y^e^ Lord's bleſsing on you remain

Y^r^ humble ſervants
Samuel Davis
Micah Mudge
June 27, 1689.
In y^e^ behalf of all y^t^ are left at Northfield"

In answer to this petition, Peter Tilton Esq., Mr. Samuel Partrigg, and Mr. John King were appointed a Committee "to act at their discretion."

"July 30, 1689. About y^e^ end of laſt week I had an account from Northampton that they had rec^d^ intelligence from Northfield that a lad there ſaw an Indian y^t^ had taken up his ſtand between y^e^ two garriſons (one of y^m^ being a ſmall one which ſecures their paſsage to and from their meadows) Some men going to y^e^ place ſaw his ſtand, and the buſhes ſet up, but y^e^ Indian was gone: alſo in ſome other places ſkulking Indians have been ſeen, y^t^ we are alarmed thereby. Some ſpeedy care muſt be taken to call y^m^ off from Northfield or to ſend up ſome men to ſecure y^m^ there. I formerly laid y^e^ caſe of Northfield before y^r^ Honors and deſired y^r^ ſending 16 or 20 men thither, which I requeſt may not be delayed; and y^t^ further orders are neceſsary, either y^r^ appointing ſome other perſon to manage affairs here which I like beſt, or ſtrengthening my hands (ſome queſtioning everything) by ſome full and plain order, which there is need of, ſome reckoning all but a ſhew of Government throughout New England.

JOHN PYNCHON.

To Hon. Simon Bradſtreet.

P. S. I received a letter from Mr. Tilton, Mr. Partridg and Mr. King, y^e Committee for Northfield, * * * that meeting to conſider about y^e preſent ſtate of the place, do conclude there to be a preſent neceſſity of relief by ſome garriſon ſoldiers for the which to go up, or elſe to draw off y^e people, the latter of which (they ſay) they muſt have better advice before they can incline to. The former which (they ſay) they incline to "needs (to take their own words) as we judge y^e accommodation of 20 men, eſpecially at this time, for the obtainment of which we ſee no way but for yourſelf to put forth the power devolved on you for impreſsing of men, y^e Committee of Militia here being dull and unhinged in y^e work without your warrant, which will thoroughly ſupply all their defects and ſcruples. If you will by warrant gather y^e men out of y^e county, the thing will be effected" — theſe are their own words. * * * I am now about ordering 20 men out of hand, which will be more difficult to obtain than you can imagine by reaſon of ſickneſs, and at preſent muſt be out of the 3 next towns Deerfield excepted, becauſe they rather need a ſupply alſo; But I will take care to diſpatch away ſome to keep garriſon, it may be for a week or thereabouts, till you may ſend ſupply and further orders, which I wait for."[1]

The authorities at Boston were slow to move in the matter. Samuel Partridge, one of the Committee, sent up a man to keep garrison 4 weeks. Andrew Warner of Hatfield was on garrison duty 14 days. And Col. Pynchon sent men at different times to meet emergencies.

November 5, 1689, The Committee reported:

"We whoſe names are underwritten being ordered by the Gen. Court in July laſt, as a Committee for ordering y^e prudentials of y^e plantation of Northfield: In obedience whereunto we have met together and conſidered ye great diſsatiſfaction and conſternation that is upon the ſpirits of the inhabitants that are left on ſaid plantation (which is about ffourteen ffamilies) which is that many ffamilies and others that have taken lands there and were by a joint agreement to live upon ſ^d lands with their ffamilies, if married, four years, and in their own perſons if ſingle, before they could diſpoſe of ſ^d lands, have now deſerted the place by their removal away before the time expired, ſo that ſhould times remain unquiet with reference to the Heathen, the inhabitants of ſ^d place muſt neceſsarily be drawn off and the place deſerted, which would prove a great inconvenience to the whole country; or elſe a garriſon maintained in ſ^d place at the country's charge, which will be greatly expenſive —

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[1] *Mass. State Archives*, cvii, 240.

We therefore move to this Hon^{d} Court, that an order may be iſsued out from ſ^{d} Court, that all ſuch perſons or families that have taken up allotments in ſ^{d} place and have not lived upon the ſame four years according to agreement, and now have deſerted the place by their removal away, which are about twenty ffamilies[1] may be ordered to return again to ſ^{d} place, or otherwiſe that their lands may be diſpoſed to ſuch conſiderable perſons as may be incouraging to the reſettling of ſ^{d} place again. * * *

Subſcribing ourſelves y^{r} humble ſervants

Peter Tilton
Samuel Partrigg
John King

"In anſ^{r} to a motion made to this Court by the Committee for Northfield, referring to the broken ſtate of the place, many of the inhabitants, contrary to their engagements deſerting ſ^{d} place and thereby expoſing y^{e} remaining inhabitants to great hazzards and inconvenience by y^{e} preſent enemy or otherwiſe — It is therefore reſolved by the Repreſentatives, that the inhabitants who deſert ſ^{d} place ſhall return within four months either in their own perſons or provide ſufficient men to bear arms and do ſervice in their rooms, according to their engagements as to continuance for four years, or otherwiſe, before they have a full title to their lands, and in neglect of the aforeſaid, their lands may be diſpoſed of otherwiſe by the Committee.

Nov^{r} 9, 1689. Eben^{r} Prout, Clerk."

But the "consternation" had taken too deep a hold on the spirits of the "deserters"; the "fourteen families" remaining were too few and feeble; the action of the Committee and the General court had been too dilatory; and the prospects ahead for the distant frontier town — with war already declared between England and France — were too dark. The doom of the plantation was sealed.

How the remnant passed the winter is not known. An order of the County court, dated June 25, 1690, gives the winding up of this Settlement:

"This Court doth order that all the inhabitants of Northfield that have any corn or other proviſions, viz. hogs, horſes, cattle etc. do tranſport it down within the ſpace of 6 or 8 days; and that which after ſaid time aforeſaid fixed, is yet to fetch, order will be given for the fetching it down for the uſe of the country, except what is taken to pay carters or horſemen, except what the authorities ſee cauſe to return to the owners."

1690–1713. The Northfield settlers generally returned to their former homes. Some soon after died, their death being hastened, to human appearance, by hardship and watching, and disappointment.

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[1] The "20 families" includes those who recently deserted the place, and those grantees who did not remove to Northfield to occupy their homesteads.

Some waited their chance to resettle the deserted plantation. Some removed permanently to Enfield and Westfield; and a considerable number soon after joined a colony that settled at Lebanon, Ct.

A few disconnected items, of historical value, having a direct connection with the scene of our narrative, have been gleaned from the records in the State archives.

[To understand some of the events to be narrated, the reader should remember that war between France and England was declared in 1690, and continued till '98; and that the French governor of Canada was tireless in efforts to instigate the Indians living the entire length of the New England border, to harass and depredate on the settlements.]

"Springfield May 25, 1692.

* * * The ffrench Gov^{r}. hath ſent out ſome to the Five Nations, to induce them to join in the War: as alſo hath ſent 3 Indians to the Squakheag Indians dwelling in theſe parts [above Deerfield] to be ſpeedily there [at Albany] who are generally gone back to Albany. * *

JOHN PYNCHON."

"A party of Connecticut and our Indians and ſome Engliſh, who were in ſearch of the enemy upon the Merrimack River, came upon and took two Indians, who ſaid they were of Albany. They appear to be two of the River Indians named Tocomonego and Achitewaſs, who were known to ſome Hampſhire county gentlemen. They had their arms and 9 Beavers."

1693. July 27, a party of 26 Canada Indians suddenly appeared at Brookfield, killing and plundering the families of Wolcott, Mason and Lawrence, and fled with their captives and much booty towards the north.

* * "Capt. Whiting and Capt. Wells with about 30 of their men went up to Northfield on Monday laſt, July 31, in y^{e} morning, on y^{e} eaſt ſide of y^{e} River, intending fully to ſearch thoſe eaſtern woods of Northfield: will if they light on thoſe villains y^{t} did y^{e} miſchief at Brookfield, give 'em a ſecond bruſh.

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The ſcout of 4 men, now in, ſay that between Northfield and Deerfield, they lighted on new tracks which they followed, and found where 20 men as they judged had lodged on Sabbath-day night, and at the falls diſcovered tracks of as many coming downward.— *Letter of Samuel Partrigg*."[1]

It appears that the River Indians now living near Albany, were accustomed to come to the Connecticut valley every year, for the purpose of hunting. They were nominally friendly; but were often the occasion of disquiet, and probably of some murders.

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[1] *Mass Archives*, LXX, 195.

In 1695, an act was passed by the General court of Massachusetts declaring that "all Indians who shall be found within 5 miles of the Conn. River on the easterly side or within 20 miles on the westerly side thereof, shall be deemed and accounted enemies and treated as such:" large rewards and allowances were offered for killing and capturing such stragglers.

"Springfield Aug. 12, 1695.

"The enemy Indians have fallen upon ſome of our Albany Indians that were hunting above Deerfield, who were on this eaſt ſide of the Great River at a ſmall riverett called Naſhawealot which runs into the Connecticut about 6 miles above where Northfield once ſtood. Capt. Wells writes in theſe words: "Aug. 10, 1695. Juſt now an Indian called Strawberry his ſon, hath made an eſcape from Naſhawelot above Northfield. He is come in this evening much wounded: ſays this day about 8 or 9 o'clk in y^{e} morning, the enemy made a ſhot on them and killed 8 or 9 of them: ſo many he reckons he ſaw as good as dead. He ſays he ſaw many canoes: accounts y^{e} enemy to be 40 or 50 men. He ſwam over the Great River to get to Deerfield with one arm broken."

Capt. Colton ſtarted with a body of Troopers of 25 men.

JOHN PYNCHON.[1]

July 14, 1698. Just before sunset, a party of 4 Indians suddenly appeared in the upper side of Hatfield North Meadow, and fired upon a number of men and boys who were hilling corn. They killed John Billings aged 24, and Nathaniel Dickinson Jr. aged 13, and took Samuel Dickinson aged 11, and a lad named Charley. They shot at Nathaniel Dickinson Sen. and killed his horse; but he escaped. The Indians then took to their canoes which had been concealed near by, and started up the river with the captives.

The news was carried to Deerfield "early in the night;" just as a band of troopers, weary and worn from a two days' scout in the woods, came in for rest and refreshment. Snatching a hasty meal, and mounting fresh horses, three of these scouts — Corporal Benjamin Wright (our "Captain Benjamin" of later times), Benjamin Stebbins and Jona. Taylor; together with Thomas Wells, Benoni Moore, Eben^{r}. Stebbins, Nathaniel Pomeroy, dragoons; and Corporal Gillett, Benjamin King, Jona. Brooks, Samuel Root, Joseph Petty, Joseph Clesson, Henry Burt, garrison soldiers (several of whom became Northfield settlers,) started for the north, with the intention of intercepting the savages. Before daylight, after a ride of nearly 20 miles through the woods, the rescuers reached the Great bend, opposite the mouth of the Ashuelot. Here they halted and concealed their horses. In the early dawn they discovered two canoes in the distance, rapidly ascending along the eastern bank. Selecting a position on some broken land close to the water, they waited till the canoes appeared above the island, and opposite where they stood, when, taking careful aim, they fired. One of the Indians was mortally wounded; but with the other three and one of the lads leaped into the stream and made for the shore. One lad remained in the canoe, and the other quickly turned to rejoin him. An Indian, noticing the movement, attempted to shoot him: but his gun missed fire, and he rushed upon the boy with uplifted hatchet. In this act he exposed himself so that he received a mortal shot from the party on the west bank. The boys, both unhurt, quickly paddled across to their deliverers.

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, xxx, 368.

The rest of the story is best told in the quaint language of Cotton Mather:

> "Theſe good men ſeeing their exploit performed thus far; two Indians deſtroyed, and two children delivered, they fell to praiſing of God: and one young man particularly, kept thus expreſsing himſelf: 'Surely 'tis God and not me who have wrought this deliverance!' But as we have ſometimes been told that even in the beating of a pulſe, the dilating of the heart, by a diaſtole of delight, may be turned into a contracting of it with a Syſtole of ſorrow: In the beating of a few pulſe, after this, they ſent five or ſix men with the canoe, to fetch the other which was lodged at an iſland not far off, that they might purſue the other Indians, when thoſe two Indians having hid themſelves in the high graſs, unhappily ſhot a quick death unto the young man, whoſe expreſsions were but now recited. This hopeful young man's brother-in-law was intending to have gone out upon this action, but the young man himſelf importuned his mother to let him go, which, becauſe he was her only ſon ſhe denied, but then fearing ſhe did not well to withhold her ſon from the ſervice of the public, ſhe gave him leave, ſaying, See that you do now, and as you go along, reſign, and give up yourſelf unto the Lord; and I deſire to reſign you to him! So he goes, and ſo he dies."

This brave and devoted youth was Nathaniel Pomeroy of Deerfield. They made his lonely grave on the west bank of the river: but his memorial is the island where he fell — which is called Pomeroy's island unto this day.

The treaty of Ryswick was proclaimed in Boston Dec. 10, 1697; but the Indians continued their raids till the summer of '98.

But the respite of peace was short. The struggle for supremacy in the new world, between the French and English was a vital one; and *now was the time to decide it*. The English held almost the entire coast line: but the French had secured the St. Lawrence and its tributaries, and were determined to gain control of the chain of lakes to the west. To befriend the Indians, and arouse their jealousies, and lead or guide their murderous expeditions against the exposed frontier towns, was the readiest way to prevent the English occupation, and gain time for planting firmly their own power and institutions.

In May 1702, war was again commenced between England and France, and continued till March 30, 1713. This was known as *Queen Anne's war.*

The great event of this war in our valley, was the destruction of Deerfield by a combined force of French and Indians under Hertel de Rouville, Feb. 29, 1704. The number of the assailants was reported at 200 French and 142 Indians. The number of English killed was 47, including 9 soldiers sent as a relief party from Hatfield and Hadley. The number of captives taken was 112: of whom 2 escaped, and 22 were killed or perished on the way to Canada. Only 60 returned to their friends. This expedition, under command of French officers, was a fair sample of all the frontier assaults of the war. Intercourse with that most christian nation, and the teaching of her Jesuit Fathers seem to have destroyed all the humane and generous traits which belonged to the Indian as a savage.

Of persons connected with Northfield history, in this affair, are the following: Philip Mattoon his w. Rebecca and child, Sarah Field (sister of Pedajah), Sergt. Samuel Boltwood and his son Robert, *killed;* Sarah Mattoon, Joseph Petty and his w. Sarah, Joseph Kellogg, Mary Field (w. of John and mother of Pedajah), Mary Field Jr., John Field Jr., were carried into captivity. Mary Field Jr. never returned: Sarah Mattoon returned and m. Ens. Zechariah Field. Mary Field Sen. was dau. of James Bennett, who was a Northfield settler in 1675. The names of others, less directly related to Northfield affairs, will appear in the Genealogy.

Two sons of Elder William Janes, viz., Samuel and Benjamin, and Moses Hutchinson, son of Ralph, with two other families, had settled near together on a fertile tract called Pascommuck, at the north east foot of Mt. Tom in Northampton. May 13, 1704, a party of French and Indians attacked this hamlet, and killed and captured no less than 33 persons. Samuel Janes his wife and 3 children, 4 children of Benjamin Janes, Moses Hutchinson and one child, and others (in all 19), were killed. "The English pursuing of them caused the Indians to knock all the captives on the head save 5 or 6." Three of those thus stunned were found alive, and subsequently recovered. One of the three was Hannah (Bascom) the wife of Benjamin Janes, who in addition to the blow of the hatchet, *was scalped.* She was finally cured, and they settled in Coventry, Ct., whence he returned to Northfield in 1716. The other two were children, sons of Samuel Janes, Samuel aged 11, and Jonathan aged 8. At his majority Jonathan settled on his father's estate in Northfield. Capt. John Taylor, a Northfield grantee of 1685, was killed while pursuing the retreating Indians with his company of horsemen.

In the conduct of this war, our people adopted the French and Indian method of aggression, i. e. by sending out small parties to points where the Indians were supposed to be in camp. But, with one or two exceptions, the expedient was not successful. The savages got timely warning of the approach of our scouts, and were quickly out of harm's way.

In 1708, Capt. Benjamin Wright began his career as a leader of scouting parties to the north, for which he will always be famous in the annals of the Connecticut valley. The killing of his father by the savages in the attack on Northfield Sept. 2, 1675, when he was 15 years old, seems to have planted in his heart an ineradicable hatred of the Indian race. He once said, that if he took a pappoose, he would dash out its brains; for "nits will be lice!" — In February of this year, he, at the head of a small scout, went up the river as far as the *Coasset*, near the mouth of Wells's river, (now Newbury, Vt.). This was the reputed headquarters of an Indian clan; but none were found. Like the winter war parties on both sides, they wore snow-shoes.[1]

About the middle of May 1709, Capt. Wright started up the river, at the head of another "war party." He had with him Lt. John Wells, Jona. Hoyt, Jabez Olmstead, Timothy Childs, John Burt, Eben^{r} Severance, of Deerfield, John Strong and Joseph Root of Northampton, Joseph Wait of Hatfield, and Thomas McCreeney. They had a pocket compass for their guide. They crossed the mountains to Lake Champlain, and went to within 40 miles of Chamblée. May 20, they espied two canoes with Indians in them, upon whom they fired, killing 4 as they believed, though they secured but one scalp (the French account says they killed two). They captured one of the canoes, with its provisions and arms. The next day they seized and destroyed 5 canoes. On the way home, they met and attacked a party of Indians on French (Onion) river, and as they believed killed 4 (the French account says they killed one). In this skirmish, Lt. Wells and John Burt were killed, and John Strong was wounded, though he was able to be brought home. On their return, the following affidavit was made:

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[1] Mar. 13, 1704, the Gen. Court of Mass. ordered 500 pairs of snow shoes and as many moccasons, for the frontiers, one-fourth of them for use in Hampshire County. The private scouting parties furnished their own rackets; but were sometimes allowed a part of their cost.

> "We whoſe names are under written being upon the Great Lake towards Canada, on the 20th of this inſtant being in a fight with a party of the enemy come this way towards New England; in which fight we judge we killed four of the enemy, and one in ſpecial we got and ſcalped him, which ſcalp we now preſent and ſhow to yourſelves at this preſent time, and do hereby teſtify that this ſcalp was of our enemy Indian killed in fight as aforeſaid, to which we ſubſcribe this 28th day of May 1709.
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> Yr humble ſervts
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> Benj. Wright
> Jona. Hoyt
> Jabez Olmstead
> John Strong"
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> "Sworn to before me.
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> They alſo declare that they are very certain that they killed 4 as above; and that on French River they killed 4 more, making 8 in all. This they affirm to me.
>
> Sam^ll Partrigg."

June 10, the General court voted a bounty of £12 to Capt. Wright, and £6 to each of the nine survivors.

In the spring of this year (1709) the English government ordered the colonies to raise a force for a combined attack on Canada. Massachusetts raised and kept under arms for some months 900 men. While these troops were waiting near Boston, for the arrival of the fleet from Great Britain, Capt. Wright sent the following letter to the governor:

> "Northampton Sept. 19, 1709.
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> "May it pleaſe yr Excellency
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> "With ſubmiſsion and under correction, I would offer my ſervice to yr Excellency, if that in wiſdom you ſend forces to Canada from our parts by land, that "Here am I, ſend me." This year I have done ſervice, and hope I may again, not that I would trouble yr Excellency, but am willing to go.
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> Not elſe, but in duty I ſubſcribe
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> Yr Excellency's moſt humble ſervt
>
> Benjamin Wright."

But the troops from England failed to arrive, and the expedition was abandoned.

Besides Capt. Wright, other men, who afterwards became Northfield inhabitants, were now taking their first lessons in war. *Ebenezer Alexander*, in a petition says:— "Ever after the taking of Deerfield in Queen Anne's war, I was in the service of the Province." *Robert Cooper*, in a similar petition says : — "I served as a soldier in Queen Anne's war some considerable time, when I was wounded by the enemy in my right arm, whereby I lost the use of my elbow joint and my arm greatly withered to my unspeakable damage."

During this war, 103 persons were slain in Hampshire county, or in excursions from it, including 47 at Deerfield, 20 at or near Pascommuck, and 36 in various places. Not less than 123 were taken captive, many of whom were slain or died on the way to Canada, and others after their arrival there. About two-thirds of the captives returned home ; the rest adopted Indian or French habits, and intermarried with their captors, or were induced to enter the Catholic religious orders.

CHAPTER V.

Permanent Settlement of Northfield, 1714–1723.

Original Grant Revived — A New Committee — Rules of Settlement — Signers — Slow Progress — Plan of Stockade — A New Departure — Rev. James Whitmore — Garrison Soldiers — Great Meadow Fences — Grist and Saw-Mills — Large Accession of Settlers — Rev. Benjamin Doolittle — Meeting House — Tax List — Town Officers — Blacksmith — The Farms — Resurvey of Town — Forts — Capt. Joseph Kellogg's Company — Industries — Education — Home Life.

QUEEN Anne's war was brought to a close by the treaty of Utrecht March 30, 1713. By the terms of this treaty, France ceded to Great Britain the territory of Newfoundland and Nova-Scotia; and relinquished all claim to the allegiance of the Five Nations. These important concessions, taken in connection with the fact, that, soon after the news reached America, the leading tribes of New England Indians which had been hostile, sent in a flag of truce and made satisfactory arrangements with the governments of Massachusetts and New Hampshire, relieved the apprehensions of our people, and gave assurance of a lasting peace.

The surviving proprietors of the Squakheag plantation — or such of them as had not located permanently elsewhere — promptly took steps to reclaim and resettle their lands, which had now lain desolate 23 years.

In the fall of 1713, a petition was sent to the General court, asking for a revival of the former grant, and the appointment of a Committee to take charge of the place.

In the council Feb. 17, 1714: —

"Upon reading the petition of Joſeph Parſons, John Lyman and others, praying for a reſettlement of a village or Plantation at Squakheag, formerly called Northfield, the following order paſsed thereupon and concurred by the Repreſentatives:

Ordered, That foraſmuch as by reaſon of the interruption given to the Settlement of the within mentioned plantation granted in Oct. 1672, by war and trouble with the Indians: and divers of the original petitioners and grantees and alſo the Committee for the ſame are ſince dead —— The ſaid grant for a plantation be and is hereby revived: and Samuel Partridge, John Pynchon, Samuel Porter, John Stoddard, Eſqrs., and Mr. Henry Dwight are appointed and impowered a Committee, to receive the challenges of all perſons to the property and right of land in the ſaid plantation, and to enter their names with ſuch others as ſhall offer to join with them in ſettling a townſhip there. The names of all to be entered with the Committee within the ſpace of twelve months from this time — giving preference to the deſcendants of the original petitioners and grantees : — and the ſaid Committee are further impowered to ſtate the place of the town upon ſmall lots ſo as it may be made defenſible, grant out allotments, and order their prudentials, and what elſe is neceſsary for their eſtabliſhment. *Provided* always, that 40 families be ſettled there within 3 years next coming: And that they procure and encourage a learned Orthodox Miniſter to ſettle with them. The town to be named Northfield. The town to lye in the county of Hampſhire.[1]

Conſented to, J. DUDLEY.

Feb. 22, 1713–14."

The first step taken by the Committee was to ascertain how many former grantees or their heirs were ready to resettle upon their lands; how many claimed their land rights, but would not return to the plantation; and how many new men had purchased estates and were willing to go upon them. The result is given in the following document:—

April 14, 1714. ARTICLES *agreed to by all thoſe that are now engaging to reſettle a Plantation or Townſhip above Hadley at a place called Northfield, which are as followeth, viz.*

"1. That all the juſt charges of purchaſing ſettling dividing and laying out to each inhabitant, and for the miniſtry or other public uſes the ſeveral allotments needful for the accommodation aforeſaid, be borne and paid on proportion to what each inhabitant is veſted in, except what is laid out already and y^{e} former meaſures and bounds is apparent.

2. That for the firſt five years, for all charges ariſing, it is agreed that ſuch charges ſhall be rated according to grant to the number of acres each inhabitant hath, as alſo herds of ſtock and other rateable eſtate, according to law.

"3. That after the ſeveral grants as of record be ſettled either on the ancient propriety or their deſcendants, or ſuch others in their behalf as y^{u} Committee ſee meet to accept, or upon their denial to join and go as inhabitants others be placed in their room — the remainder of accommodation in land ſhall be to ſettle new inhabitants to the number of 40 inhabiters in the whole, to the acceptance of the Committee.

"4. All Common Fences (that are not already laid out) to be laid out about the ſeveral fields by lot, at the voice of the proprietors of each Field in due proportion to the land each inhabitant enjoys, and ſo to be made and maintained according to law for ever, allowing for any old ditches that may remain what is equal.

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[1] Hampshire county then embraced the entire western part of the Province of Massachusetts. Berkshire county was established April 27, 1761; Franklin, June 24, 1811; Hampden, February 20, 1812.

"5. That the Town-Plot be ſtated in the old place, in ſuch form and meaſure as the Committee can allow it, according to the Court's order.

"6. That each inhabitant ſhall fence, build, and actually inhabit there within two years from the date of the Court's order or grant to them, viz., 17 Feb. 1714; as also by ſaid time to procure and ſettle there an orthodox Miniſter at furtheſt within three years' time from ſaid date or as much sooner as they can.

"7. That as to all the Home-lots on the weſt ſide of the Town ſtreet, the rear of ſaid home-lots' fence ſhall have one-half of ſaid fence to be accounted as Public Fence, and the whole to be under the viewers for the ſecurity of the Great Meadow before the town.

Signers: Benjamin Wright
Ebenezer Wright
Nathaniel Alexander
Judah Hutchinſon
Joſeph Alexander, on his father's right
Joſeph Parſons, on his father's right
Iſaac Warner, on his father's right
William Boltwood, on his father's right
Timothy Hillyard, on his father's right
Joſeph Clary, on his father's right
Joſeph Root, on his father's right
Eleazar Warner, on Daniel Warner's right
Moſes Lyman, on his father's right

"April 17, 1714. Upon a motion made by ſeveral perſons to come in by purchaſe of other men's rights — Allowed, in caſe they make out their title, and be to the acceptance of the Committee.

Signers: Joſeph Severance, In John Holmes' right
Zechariah Field, In Rob^t Lyman's right
Iſaac Mattoon, In John Lyman's right
Hezekiah Stratton, In Samuel Davis' right
Peter Evens, In John Woodward's right
Eleazar Mattoon, In Joſeph Warriner's right
Thomas Taylor, In Joſeph Dickinſon's right

The above ſubſcribers have entered their names agreeing to the within written Articles to go as inhabitants to Northfield; in caſe they prove their Title to be firm and good, are accepted as others:

Atteſt SAMUEL PARTRIDGE
SAMUEL PORTER
HENRY DWIGHT
Committee for Northfield"

The Committee appointed the following officers for the new plantation: Dea. Ebenezer Wright of Northampton, town clerk; Capt. Benj. Wright, Lt. John Lyman, Dea. Ebenezer Wright, Judah Hutchinson, Sergt. Thomas Taylor, measurers of land.

Of the 20 engagers, not more than 8 went upon the ground the first season, viz., Capt. Benj. Wright, Joseph Alexander, Nath^{l} Alexander, Isaac Warner, Zechariah Field, Hezekiah Stratton, Peter Evens, Thomas Taylor. Of the remainder, Eben^{r} Wright, Joseph Parsons, Judah Hutchinson, and Moses Lyman continued to reside at Northampton; William Boltwood died while returning from Canada in August; Joseph Severence soon sold out his right to Jona. Patterson; Isaac Mattoon did not come till some years later; Eleazar Mattoon came the next year; the others sold their rights to different parties, as will appear in course.

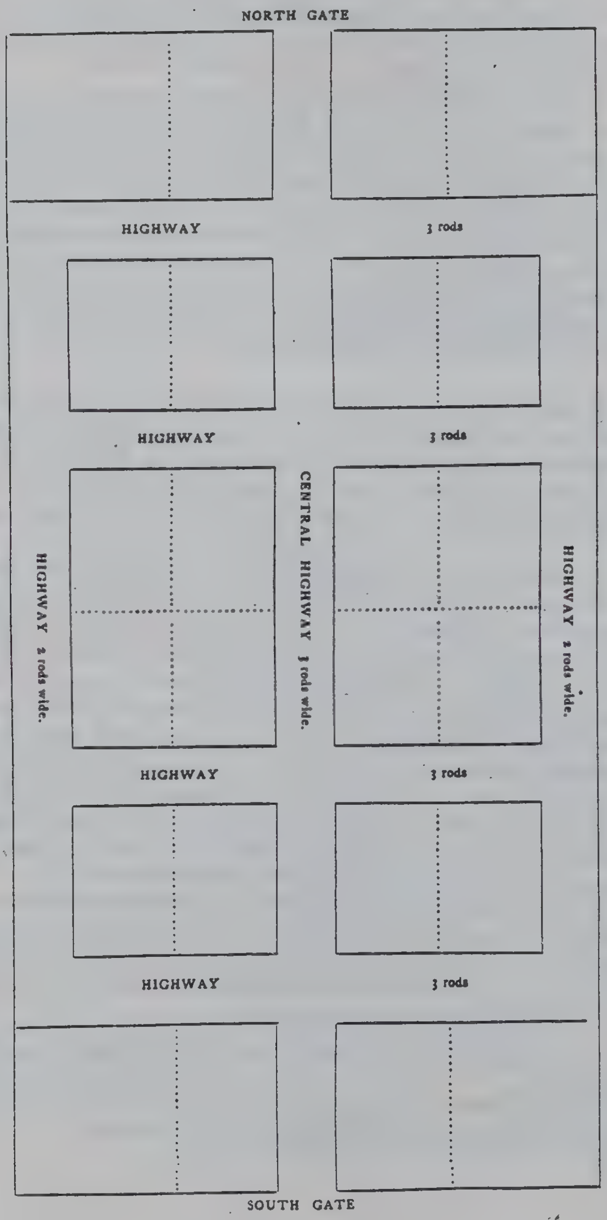
Reserved Lands.—At the outset, a home-lot and a full share in the meadows and outlands were set apart for a minister; a lot of meadow land was reserved for a smith; also lots for both grist and saw-mills; and several large tracts (not yet designated) for "the ministry and school." These last were called "sequestered land."

Hindrances.—The General court enjoined the Committee to give preference, in accepting settlers, to "the descendants of original petitioners and grantees." This seemed an act of simple justice; but it proved a serious clog on the enterprise. The heirs of these former grantees, very naturally, were disposed to wait the issue of the new project before deciding, either to return, or to make sale of their rights. A successful resettlement of the place would greatly enhance the value of those rights. And it appears that the lands of non-signers were not taxable for town charges; neither could the non-resident owners be held to pay charges for fencing common fields. And such fields were the main dependence for tillage and grass, and were of little value without continuous fence.

1715. Eleazar Mattoon was the only addition to the settlers this spring. In view of the hindrances and inequality arising from the refusal of non-residents to sell or inhabit, the Committee made application to the General court for new powers; and at its session June 10, 1715, the following order was passed:—

"On Petition of Sam^{l} Partridge and John Stoddard Eſq^{s} & Mr. Henry Dwight,

"*Ordered*—That the order of this court paſsed Feb^{y} 171$\frac{2}{3}$ for the ſettlement of the town of Northfield be further continued for 3 years more:


NORTH GATE
HIGHWAY
3 rods
HIGHWAY
3 rods
HIGHWAY 2 rods wide.
CENTRAL HIGHWAY 3 rods wide.
HIGHWAY 2 rods wide.
HIGHWAY
3 rods
HIGHWAY
3 rods
SOUTH GATE

"That the Committee be directed to ſettle the town in the moſt regular and defenſible manner that may be :

"That all Town Taxes in Northfield for the ſpace of 5 years next coming be raiſed on polls as the law directs, and on the lands that are or ſhall be divided or allotted out, and that when a General or Common Field is agreed upon to be fenced in for improvement, the proprietors of the encloſed land ſhall pay their juſt proportion towards the charges of making and maintaining the fence, whether they improve their land or not. And if any ſuch proprietors are out of the Province, then their encloſed lands ſhall ſtand chargeable therewith until it is paid."

This act of the court met the case, so far as legislation was concerned ; but the immediate effect was not apparent.

In order to carry out the wish of the court relating to the " regular and defensible manner " of building the town, the Committee decided upon a plan, which, while offering greater security yet entailed inconveniences and expense, which more than counterbalanced the advantages. The first comers had severally taken the home-lots which they held by right or purchase, and were thus much scattered. Eleazar Mattoon was north of Mill-brook. Peter Evens built near the north, and Zechariah Field near the south end of the street. There was yet no fort or garrison house. And as a measure of defence as well as supposed convenience, a plan was adopted by the Committee, with a view to bring all the dwellings of settlers into a small compass, and surround the whole with a stockade, as was done in the Settlement of 1673. This would necessitate the removal of houses already erected outside the proposed limits ; and was in its nature *a temporary expedient*, and unequal in its working. Whoever (except the owners) built on the designated space, must expect soon to remove, or rebuild on their own land.

The proposed Stockade.—" At a meeting of the Committee for Northfield at Northampton, July 12, 1715, it was agreed — In order to make the place more defenſible, that the town-plot for preſent building, ſhould begin Southwardly about 4 rods upon the ſouth ſide of John Hilyard's lot, and to extend up the ſtreet northwardly 60 rods, and 30 rods in width eaſt and weſt. And the highway being 10 rods in width, and ſo to take out of the front of each man's lot for the 60 rods incluſive, on the eaſt and weſt ſides reſpectively, 10 rods in width — the ſaid plot being in the form following, viz : [see opposite p.]

" And whereas, In the aforeſaid Plot, there is land taken out upon the weſt ſide of the Town ſtreet 10 rods wide from the front of John Hilyard's, Joseph Brook's, Thomas Taylor's, and Hezekiah Stratton's lots, and upon the eaſt ſide as much out of Capt. Benj. Wright's, Ebenezer and Increaſe Clark's and Nath^{l}

Alexander's lots, the Committee do conclude and agree that, during ſuch time as the front of ſaid lots are improved as aforeſaid, the owners ſhall have reaſonable ſatiſfaction for the ſame ; and upon the conſideration aforeſaid the ſeveral owners do acquit and releaſe their rights in the ſaid land for the uſe aforeſaid, for ſuch time as the Committee or Town ſhall agree."

This plan, which gave 24 building lots, was agreed to by the owners of such lots as were included within the proposed stockade (except Hezekiah Stratton), but was rejected by all the rest, and the project was abandoned. [1]

At their meeting July 12 (as above), the Committee appointed town officers, as follows: Benoni Moore, surveyor or town measurer in the room of Lieut. John Lyman ; Zechariah Field, surveyor of highways ; Hezekiah Stratton and Eleazar Mattoon, fence viewers ; and *order*, That they cause the fence about the Great meadow to be put in repair.

The Committee alſo *order*,

That the ſurveyors meaſure out the ſeveral allotments in Bennett's Meadow and bound them according to their ſeveral quantitys of acres, and make report to the Committee, and to render an account of what land remains : And that they meaſure and bound men's allotments in Pachage Meadow, and make report of what remains : And that they meaſure men's allotments in the Great Meadow by the Town, and report what common land remains, and place boundaries where they find none between men's lots ; And that they find a convenient place for a Home-lot for Benoni Moore, and a quantity of meadow land ſuitable for his accommodation, and give an account of the reſpective places and the ſeveral dimenſions of the particular parcels to the Committee.

SAM^{EL} PARTRIDGE } Com^{tee}
JOHN STODDARD } for
SAM^{EL} PORTER } Northfield.

1716. The Home-lots granted this year, and the "new comers" with families, were, Benoni Moore, Remembrance Wright, Jona. Patterson, and Dea. Benj. Janes ; and Jonathan Janes and Daniel Wright, without families. John Hannum was here through the summer. Dea. Janes took possession of his father's (Elder William Janes) rights ; Jonathan Janes took his father Samuel's rights, which he exchanged Aug. 25, 1718 with Joseph Petty for the Ralph Hutchinson lot, where he and his descendants have since resided.

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[1] This proposed stockade took in the space from a little below the south line of Jonathan Belcher's home-lot, to where the Parson Mason house stands, and the corresponding space on the west side of the street. The enclosure or stockade of 1673, was probably fashioned on much the same general plan, but was smaller, and located a little to the south.

March 8, 1716. At a meeting of the Committee, town officers were appointed as follows:

Peter Evens, constable and collector.

Zechariah Field and Hezekiah Stratton, fence viewers.

Eleazar Mattoon, surveyor of highways.

Remembrance Wright, field driver:

"And it was ordered, That the Town Meaſurers proceed to apportion the common fence about the Great Meadow, ſetting out to each man one rod and a half per acre for his land in ſaid Meadow, each man's ſeveral quantities being ſet out and ſtaked, in the following order of ſucceſsion — beginning at or in the River at the ſouth end of ſ^{d} meadow, running to or into the River at the north end of ſ^{d} meadow, not accounting the northwardly half of the fence at the rear of each man's Home-lot in the ſucceſsion, the proprietors of ſ^{d} home-lots being obliged by law to make ſ^{d} half as their dividend fence."

"A liſt of the Fence about the Great Meadow by the Town, taken March 31, 1716, beginning at the South end. Capt. Wright's fence being, forty-four rods twelve feet and ſix inches, eight rods is allowed for the water-courſe, which leaves to

	r.	ft.	in.
Capt. Benj. Wright	36	12	6
Common fence	12	12	0
John Hutchinſon	5	4	0
Joſeph Root	5	4	0
Jacob Root	6	0	0
Samuel Curtis	1	6	2
Ebenezer and Increaſe Clarke	12	3	0
Enoch Randall	10	11	4
Jona. Arnold	5	6	8
Charles Williams	4	8	3
John Hylier	7	7	8
Wm. Janes's heirs	5	15	0
Peter Evens	8	9	6
Town Fence	29	14	0
Wm. Miller Sen. heirs	28	2	9
Nathl. Alexander	17	3	3
Sergt. Thos. Taylor, acroſs Miller's brook			
Nathl. Alexander	2	5	0
Jos. Lepingwell	4	4	8
Eben. Wright	8	5	2
Eleazar Warner	4	8	5
Lt. Jona. Hunt	6	12	4
Joſeph Brooks	26	0	1
Mary Davis	1	2	8
Iſaac Mattoon	2	7	8
Zechariah Field	2	11	5
Common Fence	13	1	6
Miniſter's Fence	7	5	6
Joſeph Brooks	10	6	0
Joſeph Severance	6	0	0
Benoni Moore, acroſs the S. highway except the Gate	9	2	6
Thos. Taylor, the S. Gate			

	r.	ft.	in.
Ralph Hutchinſon's heirs	18	8	10
Wm. Janes's heirs	14	3	6
Saml. Janes's heirs	10	13	6
Zechariah Field	10	4	0
Iſaac Mattoon	10	7	9
Jona. Arnold	10	1	0
Ralph Hutchinſon's heirs	2	0	0
Iſaac Warner	6	0	0
John Hylier	18	0	0
Joſeph Brooks	10	0	0
Thomas Taylor	11	0	0
Hezekiah Stratton Mary Davis	11	5	0
Jos. Lepingwell	11	3	0
Jona. Patterſon acroſs the N. highway except the Gate	9	2	0
Jos. Alexander, the N. Gate			
Jos. Alexander	10	1	0
Saml. Curtis	10	1	0
Eben. Wright	10	1	0
Peter Evens	20	2	6
John Clary's heirs	27	0	6
Remem. Wright and Eleazar Mattoon, acroſs Mill brook			
Joſeph Clary	8	3	0
Miniſter's Fence	10	13	0
Jona. Patterſon	0	10	0
Hezekiah Stratton	3	6	3
Eben. Boltwood	6	0	0
Miniſter's fence	10	0	0
Remem. Wright and Eleazar Mattoon, the water courſe at the River on the North			

Memorandum : Capt. Benj. Wright is appointed to maintain the water-courſe at the S. end of the Meadow, in conſideration of eight rods abatement of his proportion of fence :

Serg^{t}. Thomas Taylor is appointed to maintain the S. Gate and the water-courſe in Miller's brook, for which he is abated fourteen and a half rods, four feet and ſeven inches :

Joſeph Alexander is appointed to maintain the N. Gate, for which he is abated eleven rods one foot and three inches of his proportion : Eleazar Mattoon and Remembrance Wright are appointed to maintain the watercourſe in the Mill brook and the North watercourſe at Connecticut river for the whole of their proportion of fence, being thirteen and a half rods."

The foregoing list and memoranda are valuable, as showing the method of apportioning the fences around common fields ; and also, it contains the names of most of the resident and non-resident land owners at this date.

In the course of this year, the Ralph Hutchinson heirs sell their lands to Joseph Petty of Coventry, Ct. : Cornelius Merry's heirs sell to Robert Cooper of Deerfield ; and the Joseph Parsons lot is sold to Lt. Jona. Hunt of Northampton.

Garrison Soldiers.—"June 10, 1716. On Petition of the Committee and proprietors of Northfield, *Ordered*, that ten men in the public pay be allowed for the covering and encouragement of the plantation of Northfield, until the session of this Court in the next Fall, who are not to be of the Inhabitants there. [*Gen. Court Records.*]

The First Minister.—"At a meeting of the Committee for Northfield, Oct. 3, 1716, *Ordered*, That a house of about 16 foot long and 12 foot wide be forthwith built in Northfield, for the present accommodation of a Minister : and that it be set near or adjoining to the dwelling-house of such inhabitant with whom the Minister shall lodge : And that Capt. Wright, Serg^{t}. Thomas Taylor and Zechariah Field be a Committee to order and inspect the building of s^{d} house, to appoint and procure workmen and materials, and take an account of all service and expense about s^{d} building, and render their account to the Committee to be by them allowed.

"The Committee did then desire Mr. James Whitmore to carry on the work of the Ministry at N-field for the space of half a year, and for his encouragement have agreed to give him twenty-five pounds and subsist him and keep his horse."

It is not known where this house stood. Probably it was placed in the street, near the largest dwelling-house then erected, in the kitchen of which the Sabbath services could be held during the cold season.

W. H. Whitmore Esq., of Boston, has kindly furnished the following sketch of the minister then employed: — "The Rev. James Whitmore was the third son of Izrahiah and Rachel (Stow) Whitmore of Middletown Conn., and was born there 31 Dec., 1695. His grandfather was Thomas Whitmore of M.: and though the spelling ***Wetmore*** has been adopted for the last century by most of his descendants, it is undoubtedly a local corruption of a very respectable and well-known English family name.

"James Whitmore was of Yale College, A. B. in 1714, and A. M. in 1717. In 1718 he was ordained minister at North Haven, Conn., where he remained about four years. In 1722, he joined Rev. Timothy Cutler (Rector of Yale College) and others in a public statement of doubt as to the validity of Presbyterian ordination: and with two or three others Mr. W. went to England, and joined the Episcopal Church. He was ordained priest by the Bishop of London in 1723, and was sent back to New York as assistant to the Rev. Mr. Vesey, Rector of Trinity Church. In 1726 he was called to the parish of Rye, West-Chester Co., N. Y., where he remained over 30 years till his death, 15 May, 1760."

Oct. 3, 1716. The Committee appointed Mr. Timothy Dwight of Northampton to be surveyor or town measurer for Northfield, which office he held for many years.

GRIST MILL.—Up to this date the Northfield families had to supply themselves with bread-stuffs, by carrying their grain to Hadley, and bringing back the meal and flour. And as all teaming was done with oxen (horses were kept solely for the saddle and pillion) it was a heavy burden. But now they felt strong enough to have a mill of their own. The following document will explain how they got it:

"Dec. 17, 1716. Conditions of Agreement betwixt Steven Belden of Swampfield and the Inhabitants of N-field, with the conſent of y^{e} Committee for N-field, are as followeth: — The ſ^{d} Belden ſhall have 15 Acres of land in Bennett's Meadow, and Labour, as below ſaid, *Provided* y^{e} ſ^{d} Belden builds a ſufficient Griſt-mill and maintain it forever; If ſ^{d} Belden neglect or fail to maintain, or refuſe ſ^{d} Mill for the Town's uſe, then ſ^{d} Mill with iron and ſtone and with all appurtenances thereto belonging to return to the town; and ſ^{d} Mill to be going by next Michaelmas.

Labor — Thomas Taylor ſix day's work
Peter Evens ſix day's work

Iſaac Warner ſix day's work
Jonathan Patterſon, ſix day's work
Joſeph Alexander ſix day's work
Remem. Wright ſix day's work
Hezekiah Stratton four day's work
Benoni Moore four day's work"

Thus encouraged, Mr. Belding bought out the John Clary heirs, both home-lot and water privilege, and set his mill on the old dam, which was a little nearer the street than the one now existing.

1717. Feb. 17, The Committee issued an order declaring all prior grants of land, not settled on this year, to be void.

March 4. At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Northfield, by order of the Committee, for choosing town officers for the year ensuing: Chose Maj. John Stoddard of Northampton, town clerk.

Sergt. Thomas Taylor, constable and collector.

Capt. Benj. Wright, surveyor of highways.

Benoni Moore, Joseph Alexander, fence viewers for Great meadow.

Isaac Warner, Eleazar Mattoon, fence viewers for Pachaug.

Benj. Janes, tything man.

Jona. Patterson, Daniel Wright, hawards.

At the same meeting, the town voted that they would have a committee to take care of the town land and minister's land, to improve it to the best advantage to bear public charges, and chose Capt. Benj. Wright, Serg^t Thomas Taylor, Benoni Moore s^d committee.

"The above mentioned officers are approved of and allowed and confirmed, for the year ensuing this 7th day of March, 1717." Signed by Samuel Partridge, John Pynchon, Sam^{el} Porter."

Up to this date, the Committee had *appointed* the town officers; but this year and henceforth, the inhabitants were permitted to make an election of their officers, subject to the approval and confirmation of the Committee.

As will be seen, two *new offices* were filled this year, viz., *tything man*, and *hawards*. It was the duty of the former to inspect the conduct of liquor sellers, Sabbath breakers, night walkers, tipplers, and keep order in the meeting house during the Sabbath services. The man most venerable for character and years was commonly chosen. The duty of the *hawards* was to drive out and impound all cattle, horses and hogs found at loose in the meadows and common fields. The law allowed them 2 shillings for taking up a horse, 1 penny for a sheep, and 12 pence each for cattle and hogs, to be paid by the owners.

Saw-Mill.— Mar. 4, 1717, a grant of 12 acres of upland on the back side of Bennett's meadow, was made to Jonathan Belding of Hatfield, on condition that he build a saw-mill, to be going by Michaelmas next. The saw-mill was put in a short distance below the grist-mill. Stephen and Jonathan Belding were brothers, and appear to have owned the saw-mill and privilege in equal shares till 1728, when Jonathan bought out his brother's rights. This mill privilege was held by Jonathan and his descendants till 1812—95 years—when it was sold to Ezekiel Webster. Jonathan Belding first took the Joseph Root home-lot, [now Timothy Field, C. H. Stearns and Mrs. C. O. Lane] which he exchanged in 1725 for the Jacob Root lot, where he lived and died.

May 25, 1717, Samuel Partridge sent a communication—semi-official—to the governor, which is valuable for its historical data, as well as its suggestions:

"The Committee is enjoined to ſettle 40 families, compact as much as may be; eſpecially to have reſpect to the former inhabitants and their deſcendants—upon which we meet difficulty to ſettle the place, inaſmuch as the moſt and the beſt part of the land is claimed by the deſcendants of ſuch former inhabitants who neglect to go and inhabit:—I humbly propoſe whether ſaid claimants ought not to ſupply theſe lands with ſettlers or quit their lands at leaſt upon eaſy terms, inaſmuch as ſaid place hath been recovered once and again from the enemy at the charge of the public. I am of opinion it would ſoon be ſupplied with inhabitants, were the lands at liberty. There is 12 families there now, and ſome are going: but the place gets on ſlowly. As to the garriſon that hath been there about 10 months—it conſiſts of a ſerg^{t}. and 9 men with him, which keep in the place without any defenſive fort; only abide there well fixed in arms and ammunition, to man the place and encourage the preſent inhabitants. I am of opinion if ſufficient means was uſed to ſtir up thoſe that claim lands as aforeſaid, to ſupply their lands with ſettlers, and the garriſon men continued (and peace) for one year more, the place might be ſettled to good advantage."

What action—if any—was taken by the governor is not known. But the effect of the movement, following up the order of Feb. 17, was soon apparent. In the course of the season, Isaac Mattoon gives up his right in the John Lyman land to his brother Nathaniel, and sells the Zachery Lawrence lot to Hezekiah Elmer: the Boltwood heirs sell to Joseph Burt of Hatfield: Thomas Leffingwell sells the Micah Mudge land to Zechariah Field: Samuel Curtis and wife sell the George Alexander lots to Lt. Jona. Hunt: Peter Evens sells the John Woodward land to Thomas Holton of Northampton (retaining the Thomas Webster home-lot and grants): Lt. Jona. Hunt sells the John Hutchinson lands to Lt. Eliezur Wright of Northampton: the heirs of Wm. Miller sell to William Holton (brother of Thomas); Jacob Root sells his rights to Lt. Eliezur Wright; and Stephen and Jona. Belding purchase lots, as already stated. Edmund Grandee receives a grant of a home-lot; and Eliezur Wright Jr. and Azariah his brother become inhabitants.

This sudden transfer of estates from non-residents to substantial inhabitants gave a fresh impulse to the new town. The erection of grist and saw mills gave assurance of convenient buildings and comfortable subsistence; the presence of garrison soldiers, sent by order of the state authorities, gave a new sense of protection and security; and the employment of a minister, while it gave them the much coveted "soul food," also carried the idea of permanency. For "it is as unnatural"— writes Capt. Edward Johnson — "for a right New England man to live without an able ministry, as for a smith to work his irons without a fire."

The soldiers were withdrawn in June: and a petition was sent to the General court at the opening of the fall session, setting forth that "a small garrison in the town of Northfield, would give great encouragement to the settlers in s^d town, and secure them against the assaults of the Indians who often resort there;" and Nov. 9, an order was passed, "that 10 men be allowed for one year next coming, provided they be not of the present inhabitants."

REV. BENJAMIN DOOLITTLE.—After the close of Mr. Whitmore's half-year, in April, no minister was employed till late in the fall. But the numbers and ability of the inhabitants already there and now about to come, appeared to require and to warrant a permanent ministry. With this view the Committee made an engagement with Mr. Benjamin Doolittle[1] of Wallingford, Ct., to supply for the winter, and he commenced to preach the second Sabbath in November; — beginning what proved to be a long and prosperous pastorate. It is very likely that the engagement of Mr. D. was brought about through the influence of the Mattoons, who came from Wallingford, *via* Deerfield. And his settlement in the ministry at Northfield brought hither the Merriman and Blaksley families, with which his family was connected by marriage.

Dec. 17, 1717. "It was agreed by the Committee for N-field to raise a Tax of six shillings on the poll, and twelve pence per acre on Meadow-lands, and six pence per acre on uplands lately granted: Capt. B. Wright and Ens. Z. Field to take y^e List."

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[1] Abraham Doolittle was of New Haven, 1640. His son John settled at Wallingford; m. for 2d w. Grace Blaksley. Their son Benjamin was b. July 10, 1695; Grad. Y. C.
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As this is the first town tax levied, and contains a reliable exhibit of resident and non-resident land holders at the close of this year, it is printed entire.

A Town Rate or Assessment, for defraying necessary charges arising within ye Town of N-field.

Names.	Poll	Lands.			Total.			Names.	Lands.		
	s.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.		l.	s.	d.
Capt. B. Wright	12	4	8	0	5	0	0	Daniel Wright	0	10	0
Peter Evens	6	3	17	10	4	3	10	Ebenezer Clarke Increase Clarke } Northampton	2	13	10
Hez. Stratton	6	1	16	2	2	2	2	Judah Hutchinson do	0	9	2
Jos. Alexander	6	2	3	11	3	9	11	Thomas Root, Lebanon Ct.	0	7	0
Remem. Wright	6	1	8	3	1	14	3	Samuel Hutchinson, Lebanon	0	6	6
Isaac Warner	6	1	18	1	2	4	1	Mary Davis, Northn.	0	8	0
Ens. Z. Field	6	4	11	5	4	17	5	Eleazar Warner, Hadley	1	9	4
Elear. Mattoon	6	2	17	10	3	3	10	Joseph Burt, Hatfield	1	6	8
Joseph Petty	6	2	11	1	2	17	1	Elder Presd. Clap, Northn.	0	5	0
Benj. Janes	6	2	4	0	2	10	0	John King, Wm King & ye rest of ye chiln. of Capt. King decd.	0	5	0
Jona. Janes.	6	2	11	6	2	17	6				
Jona. Beldin.	6	2	5	8	2	11	8	John Holton's chiln. Saml. Holton & rest of ye heirs of Dea. Wm Holton	0	5	0
Stephen Beldin	6	3	3	9	3	9	9				
Thos. Holton.	6	2	4	7	2	10	7	John Clarke's chiln. Saml. Clarke & ye rest of Lt. Wm. Clarke's heirs	0	5	0
Benoni Moore	6	0	19	0	1	5	0				
Jona. Patterson.	6	3	2	0	3	8	0	Isaac Mattoon, Deerfield	2	5	11
Wid. Th. Taylor.	6	3	1	11	3	7	11	Charles Williams	1	9	1
Robt. Cooper.	6	1	18	9	2	4	9	John Stoddard, Northn.	3	0	0
Hez. Elmore	6	1	9	3	1	15	3				
Nath. Mattoon	6				0	6	0		£ 91	3	3
Wm Holton					3	11	1				
Elear. Holton					2	5	8				
Lt. Jona. Hunt of Nhn.					8	16	8				
Elier. Wright Sen.					5	10	7				
Elier. Wright Jr.					0	10	0				
Azah. Wright					0	5	0				

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JOHN STODDARD ⎭
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1718. This year opens with plain indications that the plantation is about to take on more of the characteristics of a town. The settlers take hold with a will, and lay plans, looking beyond the present necessity, to future enlargement. Four years ago, the work of the eight families was mainly to find the old marks and paths. The old lines were reëstablished; the old highways accepted and followed. The main street through the village was ten rods wide, and was laid from Miller's brook to where they went down into Pauchaug. When a settler made the journey to Hadley, he struck off near where the south road to Warwick now leaves the street, and went west of Dry swamp, across Beers's plain and so down over what was called the "common road to Sunderland" — though this path was not then a public highway. The south lane to the Great meadow and Bennett's meadow ran near its present location. The north lane to the meadow was where it now is, and was laid ten rods wide from the top of Meadow hill to the woods east. These ways were all established during the earlier Settlement. The path from the entrance to Pauchaug to the Moose-plain ferry probably varied with the season and condition of ground and crops. This year, the 8 settlers are increased to 26; and they begin to lay out new highways, and plan other new things "for conveniency."

A Home for the Minister. — Mr. Doolittle had married a month before commencing his labors at Northfield; and the 16×12 tenement built for Mr. Whitmore, was not commodious for a parsonage. And the first business of the Committee this year was to find a home for the new minister and his wife. At a meeting Feb. 19, "Mr. Dwight was desired to treat with Dea. Eliezur Hawks about an exchange of lots so as to accommodate the minister; and Capt. Wright and Ensign Field were instructed to endeavor to hire Lieut. Taylor's house for Mr. Doolittle for the present." It will be remembered that a home-lot and other lands were *reserved* for a minister; but neither had been located. Lieut. Thomas Taylor — one of the most promising young men of the new plantation — was drowned the preceding autumn; and the plan was to hire his house of the widow (a daughter of Dea. Hawks of Deerfield) as a temporary expedient. The house was secured, and Mr. D. and his wife took possession early in the spring, though it was not till October that an exchange of lots was finally agreed on. The Taylor lot where Mr. Doolittle lived and died, was the present L. T. Webster lot; the Minister's lot, was the one known in later years as the Dr. Blake lot.

Grants of home-lots and interval lands were made this year, to Samuel Orvis of Farmington, Ct.; to Josiah Field (brother of Ensign Zechariah); to Benoni Crafts of Hatfield; to Benjamin Wright Jr.: to William Sanderson, and to Theophilus Merriman of Wallingford, Ct.

March 3. At the town meeting, this date, the following officers were elected:

Maj. John Stoddard, town clerk.
Thomas Holton, constable.
Benj. Janes, Joseph Petty, fence viewers for Great meadow.
Peter Evens, Jona. Patterson, fence viewers for Pauchaug.

Joseph Alexander, Hezekiah Stratton, surveyors of highways.

Benoni Moore, tythingman.

Remembrance Wright, Joseph Alexander, field drivers.

Capt. Benj. Wright, Benoni Moore, Peter Evens, Isaac Warner, a committee to provide necessaries for Mr. Doolittle; to build a town pound; and to take care of town affairs.

Joseph Petty, Thomas Holton, Hez. Stratton, a committee to view Pauchaug plain, and lay out a highway through Pauchaug meadow. Isaac Warner, to take care of the boat. Capt. Wright, Eliezur Wright, Benoni Moore, Peter Evens, Zech. Field, a committee to manage in the affair about building a Meeting-house.

Capt. Wright and Ens. Field, a committee to discourse with the honored Committee of the town about building the Meeting-house, and getting a petition drawn to send to the General court for some relief to defray our charge.

The Boat.—The town owned a boat or scow, and a canoe. The former was used to transport teams, etc., across the river to Bennett's meadow, and bring home so much of the crops as were needed for fall and early winter. The bulk of the hay was left in stack till it could be brought over on the ice. Corn was sometimes left in stook till winter. After the owners began to till their Moose-plain lots, and to mow the west side meadows above, the scow was moved from point to point as needed. Town ownership of the boat, and town management of the ferries, continued for many years.

The *Pound* built this year, was placed in the North lane to the meadow, a short distance off the street.

Meeting-house.—Capt. Wright and his committee urged matters; and at a meeting of the Committee for Northfield, Mar. 18, It was agreed to build a Meeting-house in s^{d} Town, as soon as it can be conveniently done: and we advise that it be of the dimensions of Swampfield Meeting-house, i. e. 45 feet long, 30 feet wide, and 18 feet between joints.

The work was pushed forward, and the house appears to have been enclosed by the first of August. Probably the only "inside finish" then completed, was a rough board pulpit, and slab forms for seats. This Meeting-house stood in the middle of the street, a little south east of its successor. Sabbath meetings had previously been held at the house of such inhabitants as had the largest kitchen.

Brick-making was commenced this spring, by Eliezur Wright or his son Azariah. The clay was dug in the street, below the south meadow lane. When the Committee granted a home-lot here [where John Wright's house now stands] to William Sanderson, they "reserved the rights of the inhabitants to dig clay."

Petition for Aid. — According to instructions given at the March meeting, a petition was drawn up, setting forth the slow progress of the plantation; their good intentions, according to their ability to settle and maintain a minister among them; but their inability by reason of the fewness of inhabitants, and their low circumstances; and praying for a sum of money out of the public treasury for their assistance therein. June 27, 1718, the General court granted the sum of forty pounds, to be improved by the Committee for Northfield, towards the support of the ministry in that place.

Thus encouraged, as soon as the hurry of haying was over, they proceeded to give Mr. Doolittle a call to settle in the ministry.

Terms of Settlement and Salary. — At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Northfield, August 5, 1718,

> "The inhabitants, conſidering the proſpect they have of Mr. Benjamin Doolittle's ſettlement in the work of the Miniſtry amongſt them, have for his encouragement *Voted*:
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> "1. To give him a convenient houſe-lot, and the Meadow and Swamp land already reſerved for a Miniſter which is about fifty acres: and alſo ten acres more in ſome convenient place for a Paſture.
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> "2. To give him the Dwelling Houſe formerly belonging to Lieut. Thomas Taylor deceaſed, (provided it can be purchaſed at a reaſonable price) and to finiſh ſaid Houſe: But in caſe ſ^{d} Houſe be not purchaſed for him then in lieu thereof to give him Thirty pounds in money or Province Bills, and likewiſe to give him the Town Houſe to be adjoined to his dwelling-houſe.
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> "3. To give to Mr. Doolittle one hundred pounds in money or Province Bills, to be paid in equal portions, one third in May 1719, one third in May 1720, the other third in May 1721 — all the above gifts to be on condition of his ſettlement in the work of the miniſtry amongſt them.
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> "4. To give Mr. Doolittle ſixty five pounds in money or Public Bills of credit annually, for the firſt ſix years of his ſervice next comirg after April fourteenth 1718, and ſeventy five pounds annually from that time forward during his continuance in the work of the miniſtry in ſ^{d} place. And in caſe the circumſtances of his family ſhall ſtand in need of more, to enlarge it according to the capacity of the people.
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> "5. To provide for Mr. Doolittle ſuch ſtock of wood as the ſtate and circumſtances of his family ſhall require, for ſix years next coming, and after the expiration of the ſaid ſix years, that each man with his team ſhall cart or ſled wood one day yearly for Mr. Doolittle."

The above terms were submitted to the Committee for concurrence, and at a meeting Aug. 12,

"Having conſidered the within votes of the inhabitants of N-field, we do confirm the ſ^{d} votes, and do (for his further ſecurity) hereby grant to the ſ^{d} Benj. Doolittle the within mentioned lands, and also ten acres of upland ſuitable for Tillage in ſome place convenient — all ſ^{d} lands are granted upon the within mentioned condition of ſettlement, and to be laid out by the ſurveyor.

Signed

Sam^{el} Partridge
Sam^{el} Porter
John Stoddard
Henry Dwight
Com^{tee} for N-field"

"Having conſidered y^{e} fore-mentioned propoſals, I do hereby accept of them

witneſs my hand Benj^{n}. Doolittle."

This is all the record, so far as known, respecting the settlement of Mr. Doolittle. It is believed that a church was organized, and Mr. D. ordained some time during the present fall; *probably on the 2d day in September.*

Oct. 8, 1718. The Committee for Northfield then agreed with Deacon Hawks, administrator, to exchange Lt. Taylor's house and lot in Northfield for a lot reserved for a minister; and the Committee have agreed to give for the odds thirty pounds in money which we have put into Mr. Dwight's hands, and ten acres of out-lands which shall (if it may be) be to the acceptance of Dea. Hawks: the instruments to be drawn and perfected as soon as may conveniently be done.

The ten acres of *pasture land*, voted to Mr. Doolittle by the inhabitants, was laid out on the west side of the street, just below Pauchaug, which lot was known in the record as "Mr. Doolittle's Pasture" till the old Tavern house was built upon it.

The ten acres of *tillage land*, voted by the Committee was laid out on the Second-Moose plain.

In addition to the land now granted, Mr. Doolittle received subsequently, grants of 140 acres in the "Choice Lots" Division: 39½ a. in the First Division of commons; 55¾ a. in the Second, and 400 a. in the Third Division. And his widow received 106 acres in the Fourth, 26½ a. in the Fifth, and 10 a. in the Sixth Division; making in all 855 acres.

Land Grants.— As a specimen of the way the lands at Northfield were disposed of by the Committee, the following examples are quoted: "1718, Feb. 19. Then granted to Benoni Moore and Jona. Patterſon each ten acres on the plain on the back ſide of Pachaug, provided there be ſo much beſides what is already granted:

"Then granted to Joſiah Field thirty acres of land, whereof ten or twelve acres of Meadow (if to be found); the remainder to be a Home-lot and up-land — all to be laid out conveniently for him by direction of the Committee — all on condition of his abode there four years from the above date."

All the home-lots were granted, subject to the condition of a four years' residence.

"Then granted to Joſeph Alexander about two acres on the Saw-mill brook, between two high hills running from the Great meadow fence to the fall in the brook, upon condition that he allow the town liberty to dig a drain through his lower lot in the Great meadow — the town not to be at the charge of a highway to ſaid land.

The general theory was, that the grant of a lot of land, be it ever so small, carried the right of a feasible highway to the same.

The Town Street narrowed.—Aug. 12, 1718. The Committee passed an order, that the three northerly lots towards the Mill brook on the east side of the street be extended westward so that the street be left but six rods wide; and that the line be continued straight from the southwest corner of Orvis's home-lot to the southwest corner of the home-lot formerly belonging to Jacob Root.

1719. March 2, "The inhabitants of the Town of Northfield being convened together at a legal meeting, have choſen their officers and other confarnments as follows:

Joſeph Petty, conſtable.
Major John Stoddard, clerk.
William Holton, Remem. Wright, fence viewers for y^e Great Meadow
Eleazar Mattoon, Jona. Belding, fence viewers for Pachaug
Robert Cooper, Nath^l Mattoon, hawards for y^e Great Meadow and Bennett's Meadow
Samuel Orvis, Azariah Wright, hawards for Pachaug
Ens. Field, Thomas Holton, surveyors of highways
Iſaac Warner, Peter Evens, tything-men
Benjamin Janes, Thomas Holton, Elea^r Mattoon, truſtees for the town ["To lay what is neceſary for the town's affairs before the Committee for their approbation and confirmation"— interlined in the handwriting of Sam^l Partridge].

Capt. B. Wright, Eliezur Wright, Enſign Field, Benoni Moore, Joſeph Petty, choſen to agree with Mr. Doolittle concerning his ſettlement in the miniſtry.

Hezekiah Stratton, Eleazar Holton, Nath^l Mattoon, a committee to get Mr. Doolittle's wood: and voted to allow 2*s*. 6*d*. per load for wood for Mr. D. this year coming. Signed, Eliezur Wright, Moderator."

It was customary for the moderator to make a record of the doings of the annual town meeting, attest the same, and carry it to the Committee for confirmation. The mode of making out the foregoing record, as well as some of the votes passed, indicate that the people were beginning to chafe under the Committee's rule. But the latter yielded nothing, and the *interlineation* was acquiesced in.

The town furnished Mr. Doolittle this year sixty-two loads of wood, nominally one cord to a load, and paid for cutting and hauling the same £7 15.

Blacksmith. — Mar. 10, 1719. "Granted to Ebenezer Field, of Deerfield, thirty acres of land, 8 acres *reserved for a smith* in Bennett's meadow, 7 acres in the Second-Moose plain, 10 acres on the Dry brook (in Dry swamp), and 5 acres in some convenient place, all on condition of his removing to N-field with his family within 15 months, and his employing himself in his trade for the supply of the people." — Mr. Field appears to have removed to this town the next year. He settled on the lot then held by the Patterson heirs (Jona. Patterson having died in 1718), which he afterwards bought. This was afterwards known as the "Landlord Field place," now John Mattoon's. He put up a shop *in the street*, after the custom of those times. He "finished his house" in the winter of 1721. He died (was shot by mistake) in 1723, and his shop was sold to Dea. Samuel Smith, who moved it down to near the "old Meeting oak."

Garrison Soldiers. — By order of the General court, June 16, 1719, seven men were allowed in the public pay to garrison Northfield, till the end of Oct. next.

Mr. Stoddard's Farm. — "At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Northfield, Nov. 14, 1719, *Voted*, To give to Maj. John Stoddard all the Little Meadow that lies just below Great meadow, excepting the old grants; and so much of the Plain adjoined to it as will make up 100 acres, — Provided he will accept it for the service he hath already done as Committee-man and Clerk, and the service he hath to do for us while we shall be under the Committee's care."

Maj. Stoddard sold this farm in 1729 to Zechariah Field and Orlando Bridgman, for £550. Field soon bought out Bridgman, and the place has been known as the "Field farm" unto this day. It is now owned by Thomas J. Field.

1720. Feb. 23, The Committee for Northfield granted the stream upon Bennett's brook to Serg^t. Benoni Moore, Joseph Petty, Ebenezer Field and Nathaniel Mattoon, for a *saw-mill*, with the lands that may be necessary for ponding, and to lay logs upon, provided they build it by May come twelve-month, and improve the mill from that time forward for their own benefit and profit and the service of the town.

Land grants were made this year to Eleazar Holton; to Eldad Wright; to Thomas Blaksley, a relative of Mr. Doolittle; and to Ebenezer Alexander, who became a deacon in the Church and a prominent leader in civil affairs. He bought the home-lot of his uncle, Nathaniel Alexander (the Parson Mason lot), and the Richard Lyman lot adjoining on the north. The former he sold to Jonathan Hunt; and the latter to Samuel Hunt in 1732, and built in 1733 or '34 on the Capt. Richard Colton place. Moses Nash of Hadley also received grants of 15 acres in Second-Moose plain and in one of the upper meadows, and the next year bought the William Clarke home-lot, though it does not appear that he became an inhabitant of Northfield.

Mar. 2, 1720. At the annual Town Meeting the following officers were chosen: —

Maj. John Stoddard, town clerk.

Eleazar Mattoon, constable and collector.

Joseph Petty, Jona. Belding, surveyors of highways.

Dea. Benj. Janes, tything man.

Eben^r Alexander, Nath^l Mattoon, fence viewers for Great Meadow.

Thomas Holton, Azariah Wright, fence viewers for Pachaug.

Robert Cooper, Dan^l Wright, hawards for Great and Bennett's meadows.

Nath^l Mattoon, Eldad Wright, hawards for Pachaug.

Lieut. Eliezur Wright, Thomas Holton, Theoph. Merriman to take care of Mr. Doolittle's wood.

Lieut. E. Wright, Serg^t B. Moore, Eben^r Alexander trustees for the Town, and to take account of the town debts.

Edmund Grandee, to take care of the boat and canoe.

[The above officers were confirmed by the Committee April 5.]

The two matters of considerable importance to be presented in the records of this year, are 1. The location of the "Country Farm," and the Committee's Farms; 2. The resurvey of the town by Timothy Dwight Esq.

COUNTRY FARM.— It will be remembered that in the original grant of the Squakheag plantation in 1672, a "reserve of land for the country's use" was made. For obvious reasons this land had not been formally laid out, during the earlier Settlements. But the claim was still valid; and as all the better class of lands were being absorbed by grants to settlers, there was now a necessity that this tract should be selected and bounded out. At a meeting of the Committee, April 20, "It was ordered, that there be a Reserve of two hundred and fifty acres of land, at the southerly end of N-field bounds, bounded on the Town Line southerly, on the Common Road to Sunderland westerly, on the Common land northwardly, and on Country land eastwardly."

Committee's Farms.—At the same meeting the Committee voted to set apart farms of one hundred and fifty acres each, to themselves. This action was in accordance with the expressed wish of the town; and the land was no more than a fair compensation for their services.

> "Agreeably to the vote of the inhabitants of N-field on April 11, 1720, the Committee have this day [April 20] granted to Samuel Porter Eſq. 150 acres of land within the Townſhip of N-field, bounded ſouthwardly on a Reſerve of 250 acres lying next the South line of the ſ^{d} Townſhip, weſtwardly on the Common road that leads towards Sunderland, northwardly on land of Henry Dwight Eſq. and eaſtwardly on Common land — extending in length from the Road eaſtwardly three quarters of a mile, and in breadth from North to South one hundred rods, it being in conſideration of ſervice in ſettling ſ^{d} place."

A farm of similar dimensions, and corresponding boundaries, lying directly north of this, was granted and laid out to Henry Dwight Esq.

And a farm precisely equal, lying north of Dwight's, was granted and laid out to Samuel Partridge Esq.

The total amount thus granted and laid out in a body, was 700 acres. And this was the origin of what was known to after generations as "The Farms."

[As the "Common Road to Sunderland" was not yet a public highway, and was a somewhat uncertain boundary line, the town voted subsequently, "that the westerly end of the Committee's Farms be extended four or five rods across the Path, to the brow of a little hill that runs North and South; and that as much be taken out of their Farms at the easterly end."]

As stated at the close of last year's record, a Farm of 100 acres had already been granted and laid out to Major Stoddard — the 100 acres being in a better location, was considered as equivalent to 150 acres further south. The other member of the Committee, Col. John Pynchon, had been at no considerable pains in furthering the settlement, and received no grant.

New Plot of the Town.—The town bounds, as originally laid out by William Clarke in 1672, have already been described in Chapter III. In May 1685, on Petition of the Committee, the bounds on the east side of the river were extended "two and a half miles lower to a little stoney brook." But no survey and location of this additional grant was made at the time.

As the inhabitants were now rapidly increasing, and these lands were being lotted out, the bounds became a matter of consequence; and the Committee ordered Timothy Dwight Esq. to survey and plot this tract, and reädjust the other lines. Beginning at the old south-east corner [which was nearly due east 3¾ miles from the lower end of the Three Little Meadows] he run the line "parallel to the general course of the river," till it met a line running E. 7° 30′ N. from the mouth of Four-mile brook. That south line (except the deflection to include the "Morgan farm") has remained substantially unaltered till this day.

On the west side of the river, the line was extended south from the old south-west corner 145 rods to the Deerfield line, where it remained till the adjustment of the boundary lines between Northfield and Gill.

The east and west bounds, which run N. 1° 30′ W. were not altered.

The north bound, which had been a broken one, i. e., at Broad brook on the west side and at Ash-swamp brook on the east side of the river, was brought down to a point about ½ of a mile below Ash-swamp brook and coincident with the dividing line between the Sartwell and Bridgman farms, and thus made continuous the entire width of the town. This north line began at a point three-fourths of a mile west of the river and run E. 7°. 30′ N. 1440 rods. The length of the town on the east side, was 100 rods less than 12 miles; the length on the west side, was 8 miles; the superficial contents was 31296 acres.

By the terms of the original grant in 1672, the town was 8 miles long by 4½ wide, i. e., equal to six miles square. When the additional grant of 2½ miles was made to the south end on the east side of the river in 1685, nothing was said in the act about taking off an equivalent portion from the north end — although this might be supposed to be the intention of the General court. Dwight's survey, now under consideration, assumed that the omitted north-west corner should constitute this equivalent, as the space left off south of Ash-swamp brook was an equivalent for the small south-west corner addition. The town, as thus resurveyed, actually contained 8256 acres more than the authorized six miles square. This survey was not at once accepted by the General court. Although the legislature appears to have been sensible of the dilemma caused by its own carelessness; yet it was not ready to take a decisive step towards a settlement of the question. And the disputed boundary was a source of anxiety and some controversy for many years. In 1732, the legislature granted to Gov. Jonathan Belcher 500 acres of land lying north of the old Fort Hill above the Ashuelot river. This included the whole of Merry's meadow and the plain lands east, which had been in part allotted to the settlers, and which Northfield had held by purchase and possession for half a century. This encroachment by the legislature — as it was regarded, brought matters to a crisis. The town resolved to have the question settled; and voted to give a large and valuable tract of land as compensation to any man who would get the boundaries fixed. Stephen Belding went to Boston, and labored with the governor and legislature; but failed of his object, and paid his own expenses. Then Capt. Benj^{a}. Wright — who was still at 73 years old a power in the town — was sent down as agent; and by his influence with the leading men in the government, secured to the town her claimed rights, and was paid for his expenses and time. At the session June 21, 1733, an act was passed, confirming and establishing the survey and plot of the town as made by Mr. Dwight.

The north bound remained unaltered till the new Province line was run by order of the king in 1740. This cut off 4 miles and 197 rods in width from the north part of the township, which subsequently became parts of Vernon, Vt., Hinsdale and Winchester, N. H.

ASSESSOR'S RETURN, 1720 — Number of Polls	taxed	38
Non-residents and females	taxed	18
Number acres of home-lots and meadow lands	taxed	1863
" " outlands	taxed	298

Tax on poll, 12 shillings.

LAND SPECULATION. — About this date, when it became well assured that Northfield was to stand, men who had ready cash began to invest it in lands in and around the plantation. As will appear in the Plan and History of the Home-lots, to be given hereafter, Henry Dwight of Hatfield, Lieut. Jona. Hunt of Northampton, and others, were always ready to advance money and take a mortgage on said lots, and to buy up grants as they came into market. But this year, Ens. Zechariah Field made a wholesale purchase — it being no less than the balance of all the desirable lands still claimed by the original Indian proprietors. His own petition best tells the story.

"*To His Excellency Jona. Belcher* ;

"It being repreſented to me that it would be for the intereſt of this Government to purchaſe the right of Pompanoot, ſon and heir to Wawelet, one of the chiefs among the Indians, of and in a large tract of land lying upon Miller's river ſo called, at a place called Paquayag (Athol) of the contents of about 30,000 acres, bounded upon large falls in ſaid river eaſterly, extending ſeven miles down the river, running four miles ſoutherly from y^e ſ^d river and two miles northerly: And your memorialiſt being intimately acquainted with the ſaid Pompanoot, and conſidering that if the land ſhould not be bought of him before the Engliſh began to make ſome ſettlement and build upon the ſ^d land, he would afterwards demand a much higher price than if bought before ſuch improvement — your memorialiſt for the good of the country bought the ſ^d land of the ſ^d Indian, in the year 1720, for an inconſiderable ſum, viz., twelve pounds, which is now of great worth: And the ſ^d land by the authority of the Great and General Court has been lately granted for a Townſhip to the Engliſh inhabitants — though your petitioner has it under the hand of a great number of Indians that the ſ^d land was the right of the ſaid Pompanoot, by virtue of a gift from his honored father Wawelet, yet is entirely ſatiſfied that this grant of the Court ſhould take place, provided he be recompenſed for the £12 advanced, with intereſt, or receive a part of ſaid land.

Northfield April 1733. ZECHARIAH FIELD.

The court granted him in satisfaction of his just claim 800 acres, to be laid out in two tracts, adjoining to Paquayag, one of which was on territory, afterwards incorporated into the town of New Salem.

Dec. 13, 1720. The General court *voted*, That 10 soldiers be posted at Northfield in full pay, and continued there till the last day of November next; none of the town's people to serve.

1721. April 4, The Committee granted to Stephen Crowfoot, a home-lot of 7½ acres which formerly belonged to Palmer, and 10 acres in the Second-moose plain, and ten acres in the South plain. Also granted to William Syms a home-lot of 7½ acres north of Joseph Warriner's lot, and 10 acres on the Second-moose plain, and 10 acres on the South plain, if to be found when former grants are satisfied: all on condition that he continue an inhabitant there four years from this time, and fence and improve his home-lot within two years from this time.

Ebenezer Severance and Thomas Bardwell also received grants of land, in the Second-moose plain.

At the same meeting of the Committee it was *ordered*, That Ensign Field, Joseph Petty and Hezekiah Stratton be a committee to lease out the town lot in the Great meadow for five years; and that they have power to lease out any of the land formerly belonging to any person out of this county, who has not paid his rates to any former constable, the lands to be let till the rates are paid.

1722. By virtue of a warrant from the Hon^{bl} Committee, the inhabitants being warned, convened together at a legal town meeting, Mar. 2, and chose officers as follows :

Col. John Stoddard, town clerk.

William Holton, constable.

Remembrance Wright, Ebenezer Field, Eleazar Holton, trustees.

Ebenezer Alexander, Hezekiah Stratton, surveyors.

Thomas Holton, Nath^{l} Mattoon, fence viewers for Pachaug.

Dan^{l} Wright, Azariah Wright, fence viewers for Great Meadow.

Stephen Crowfoot, Eliezur Wright, fence viewers for Bennett's Meadow.

Benoni Moore, tythingman.

Thomas Blaksley, Eldad Wright, field drivers for all y^{e} meadows.

A company of garrison soldiers was stationed in town from Dec. 1, 1721 to July 24, of this year. These were paid by the government, and billeted upon the inhabitants — usually two to a family, — who were allowed 5 shillings each per week, which sum was in part deducted from the country rate, and the balance paid in Province bills. The company roll is as follows :

Joseph Kellogg Lieut., Suff.
Josiah Stebbins Sergt., Nhn.
Josiah King clerk, Nhn.
Joseph Allis, Hat.
Japhet Chapin, Spg.
John Sergeant, Worc.
James Porter, Nhn.
Joseph Billing, Hat.
Stephen Smith, Hat.
Benoni Wright, Nhn.
Orlando Bridgman, Nhn.

The pay of the lieutenant was 20 shillings per week : the others received 5 shillings per week.

In addition to the above, two men were allowed, as a special guard to the minister, one for night watching and one for day warding. These of course were billeted on his family.

Forts. — Up to this year, no forts had been built in the village. One or two houses were brick-lined : and the Town-house, i. e., the 12×16 ft. building put up for Mr. Whitmore in 1716, was used as a guard-room. But the garrison soldiers, when not on duty, lived with the inhabitants.

The war, which had impended for more than a year, and which broke out on the Eastern frontiers in June, naturally alarmed our people, and immediate measures were taken to prepare for the worst. In the course of the summer two forts were begun and wholly or partially completed. One stood on the Zech. Field home-lot ; the other on the Stephen Belding lot (the site of the old Clary fort). These were not strongly built works. Probably the *mounts* were only partially finished. It is a family tradition that the Field fort was surrounded by a stockade; and that, in the following year, the sentry stationed in the mount, shot Ebenezer Field, the smith, in the dusk of the evening, mistaking him for an Indian.[1]

MILITIA.— All towns were required by law to enroll their militia men, including all able bodied males between 16 and 60 years of age, and to maintain a military organization. Besides the regular training days, all were liable to be called on to watch and ward and scout. Where the number liable to do duty was less than 64, the company was commanded by a lieutenant or ensign.

Northfield was fortunate in having among her settlers several men experienced in military matters and in Indian warfare. Capt. Benjamin Wright was an old fighter. Ebenezer Alexander was an officer, and Robert Cooper was a soldier in Queen Anne's war. Others had seen service. Capt. Wright was the head of our militia company, for the three years after 1714. Thomas Taylor was sergeant under him, and was chosen lieutenant (which gave him the command of our small company) in 1717 — the spring before he was drowned. Zechariah Field was chosen ensign the same year, on the death of Lt. Taylor, and succeeded him in command. Eliezur Wright was lieutenant and Benoni Moore sergeant in 1719. The present year [1722], Ebenezer Alexander and Joseph Petty were chosen sergeants.

But these military matters belong more properly to the next chapter.

1723. At a meeting of the Committee Feb. 26, "they then granted to Mr. Benj^{n} Doolittle 24 feet in breadth of the street directly against the house he now lives in, and 32 feet in length, to set a house on, he to have s^{d} land during the continuance of the house he shall there erect."

How far Mr. Doolittle availed himself of the privilege hereby granted, is not known: but it is remembered that the old Caleb Lyman house stood several feet over the line of the street.

March 4. At a legal town meeting, this date, officers were chosen as follows: Col. John Stoddard town clerk; Hezekiah Stratton constable; Sergt. Joseph Petty, Sergt. Eben^{r}. Alexander, Jona. Belding, trustees; Dea. Benj. Janes tythingman; Dea. Eleazar Mattoon, Thomas Holton, surveyors; Serg^{t}. Benoni Moore, Nath^{l} Mattoon, fence viewers for Great meadow: Stephen Crowfoot, Theophilus Merriman, do. for Pachaug; Eben^{r}. Severance, Ebenezer Field, do. for Bennett's meadow: Dan^{l}. Wright, Eldad Wright, field drivers.

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[1] In the dusk of evening, Ebenezer Field was standing on his shed pitching Peas, which were passed up to him from the cart below and out of sight, into the barn window. The sentry caught a glimpse of the wads as they were rapidly tossed into the window, and thinking that Indians were leaping stealthily into the barn for mischief, instantly fired, mortally wounding Mr. Field.—*Dea. Phinehas Field.*

The usual endorsemenr "Allowed by the Committee," is affixed to the record *for the last time*, as by act of the General court, their power ceased in the ensuing June.

At the meeting, as above, the town voted to Ebenezer Severance a lot of 10 acres "upon Bennett's hill," to be joined to the lot of 10 acres previously granted to him: and another "little piece of land of about 60 rods," "upon the condition of his building a house on his land in Bennett's meadow." If he complied with the condition, his was the first house erected on the west side of the river in Northfield.

INDUSTRIES. — *Mills.* A grist-mill was erected by Stephen Belding, as early as 1717, and a saw-mill, the next year, by his brother Jonathan Belding, as already related. A saw-mill may have been built on Bennett's brook, in 1721.

Brickmaking. The manufacture of bricks was commenced as early as 1717. The clay was found in the highway below the old Meeting oak. When the home-lot (where John Wright now lives) was granted to William Sanderson in 1718, a clause was inserted, "reserving to the inhabitants the right to dig clay."

Ebenezer Field *the smith*, and Stephen Crowfoot *the carpenter*, came to Northfield in 1720. It is not easy to see how the people could get along in the previous years without a blacksmith, as all their tools in daily use, such as axes, shaves, nails, hoes, plow-shares, loom-irons, cranes and trammels, and hog-rings were wrought-work. Very likely they went thirteen miles to Deerfield, and there discovered the excellent workmanship of Mr. Field, and so invited his removal to Northfield. They could better dispense with a skilled carpenter, as almost every body could hew timber, and use the adze and auger and chisel, and nail on boards and shingles. In those days, no frames were set out by the square rule, but by what they called the *try rule*, or the rule of *six*, *eight and ten*; i. e. the sills, posts and beams were framed and *tried*, and the braces were laid on to mark their bevels and length. The covering for ordinary buildings was cleft boards, laid lapping: for the better class of dwelling houses, rough sawed boards chamfered together.

Some entries, both Dr. and Cr. taken from the blacksmith's Account Book, for the years 1721–2, will give an idea of the prices, and the work-day aspect of things in the little frontier village, and are worth preserving.

	Cr.		
By fetching a load of coal from Dry brook	£ 0	5	0
" a buſhel of malt	0	3	6
" harrowing my flax ground	0	1	0
" making hay one day	0	2	6
" working at my tar-kiln one day	0	2	6
" team to draw tar to Deerfield, 2 days	0	8	0
" team getting candle wood ½ day	0	2	0
" horſe to drug my home lot one day	0	1	0
" a quarter of veniſon 19lbs	0	3	2
" reaping at Mooſe plain 1 day	0	3	0
" Jany., ſledding hay from Bennett's meadow	0	5	0
" breaking flax one day	0	2	0
" 6 buſhels Indian corn	0	12	0
" a boy to pull flax one day	0	1	6
" 3 buſhels of turnips	0	4	6
" malting 7½ buſh. barley	0	3	0
" 1 buſhel of wheat	0	5	6
" horſe to go huckle-berrying	0	0	6
" a bottle of rhum	0	2	0
" March, 1721, Step. Crowfoot, work finiſhing my houſe	0	2	6
	Dr.		
To ſhoeing a horſe round	0	3	6
" ſharpening pr. of plow-irons	0	1	0
" my oxen to work one day	0	1	0
" making 4 hog rings	0	0	4
" making a trammel	0	7	0
" " a clevis and pin	0	5	8
" " 36 hatchel teeth	0	3	0
" ſharpening a plow-ſhare	0	0	8
" " a coulter	0	0	4
" laying an axe	0	3	0
" making a ſteel trap	0	16	0
" " a hoe	0	4	6
" one ſett of loom-irons and ſpindle	0	10	0
" 7 pigs at 7 weeks old	1	5	0
" 4 lbs. of hops	0	4	0
" a wapanock skin	0	3	8
" 3 fox ſkins and ½ a woolang ſkin	0	13	6
" my wife's making an Indian's ſhirt	0	0	8
" 1 quart of honey	0	2	0
" making a gun lock and two ſcrew pins for y^{e} Indians	0	2	6

Tar. It was quite common at this date, to collect the heart and knots of the old pines that were killed by the Indian's fires and had fallen down since the annual burning ceased, and to cut the older standing trees which had grown since the Indian occupation, and burn them in pits or kilns for the tar. Some of these old stumps were very *fat.* The business was commonly regulated by the town.

Candle wood. Every family would gather in the fall enough candle wood for use in the winter evenings. This was the hard pine—sometimes stunted or diseased trees, or old knots, which were full of pitch, and a splinter would give a tolerable light. Indeed it was all the light, except the blaze from the hearth, which most of the families had. Tallow candles were used to some extent, when one was so fortunate as to kill a fat beef. Oil was unknown.

Rye. The Moose plain lots were famous in early times for raising rye. Both plains contained 300 acres. The First was divided into 18 lots varying from 3¼ to 15¾ acres each; the Second was divided into 22 lots, mostly 5 and 10 acres each. There were 29 different proprietors, some having a lot in both plains. Joseph Alexander and Hezekiah Elmer were the famous reapers of that day, and always had 3 shillings per day, 6 pence more than for haying.

Wheat was raised on the intervals nearer home, and on new ground. *Flax* required a moist soil.

Loom irons. Every considerable family had all the conveniences necessary for making all the cloth required for home use. The flax and the wool were grown upon the farm. The former was pulled, cured, broken, swingled and hatcheled by the males, and spun on the "little wheel" by the females. The wool was sheared, washed, greased (goose oil was the best for this purpose), carded, and spun on the "great wheel." Tow, which was the refuse combings of flax, was spun on the great wheel. The yarn was now ready for the dye-pot, which was kept in the chimney corner through the cool season. The common dyes were logwood and indigo; later, madder came into use for lamb's wool and linsey woolsey. An ordinary day's work was four skeins of woolen yarn, when the spinner carded her own wool; after the introduction of carding machines, she could as easily spin 6 skeins. Two skeins of linen thread was a large day's work. Spinning was commonly done by the *run.* A run of yarn consisted of twenty knots, a knot was composed of forty threads, and a thread was seventy-four inches in length, or once round the reel. Seven knots of woolen, and fourteen knots of linen yarn made a skein. The loom was commonly set up in the unfinished loft over the kitchen. "Mother" did the weaving, till the girls began to think about getting married, when they in turn learned what was considered a necessary accomplishment. Some men were expert weavers, and made it a sort of winter's work. William Holton and Josiah Stebbins were the noted weavers of this date in Northfield. They charged 6 pence per yard for weaving common yard wide linen cloth.

Hog rings. Swine were allowed to run at large from April 1, to the last of October. To prevent mischief to gardens and fields, the law required that all swine going at large should be "properly yoked and rung." And it was enacted, "That no yoke shall be accounted sufficient which is not the full depth of the swine's neck above the neck, and half so much below the neck; and the sole or bottom of the yoke to be three times so long as the breadth or thickness of the swine's neck."

Wapanock or wogernock, was the Indian name for the sable or marten, valuable for its furs. *Woolang* or woolaneaque, was the name for the fisher, which is the largest of the mink family, sometimes two feet in length.

Shoemaker. There is no record of a professional shoemaker in town till 1725. It is likely that more than one of the inhabitants had a lapstone and awl and hammer, and could cobble, on emergency. Probably too, some one or more of the garrison soldiers stationed here, may have had the trade, and would do the work for the family where they were billeted. It is known that Josiah King, cordwainer, was stationed here as a soldier, and that in 1725 he received a grant of a home-lot, and removed hither and set up his trade.

There were some restrictions imposed by law on this and the kindred art of tanning, which deserve mention.

> "No perſon uſing or occupying the feat or myſtery of a ſhoemaker ſhall uſe or exerciſe the feat or myſtery of a tanner, on forfeiture of 6 ſhillings and 8 pence for every hide or ſkin by him ſo tanned: nor ſhall any tanner uſe or occupy the feat or myſtery of either butcher, currier or ſhoemaker, upon like forfeiture. And no perſon exerciſing the myſtery or faculty of a ſhoemaker or cordwainer ſhall work up into ſhoes or boots any leather that is not thoroughly and ſufficiently tanned, well dried and properly ſealed; nor uſe any horſe-hide for the inner ſoles of boots and ſhoes, upon forfeiture of ſaid boots or ſhoes."

Maltster. Lieut. Jonathan Hunt had a malt house in Northfield in 1721–3. The best malt was made of barley; meslin, and the poorer grade of wheat mixed with chess were also used. From 7 to 10 bushels was the ordinary supply for a family for a year. Beer made of malt and hops was a common drink at this date, and continued so for several generations. *Cider*, in small quantities began to be made here as early as 1723; and as the apple orchards came more into bearing, this took the place of malt liquors. A weak beer was the foundation of *flip*, which was the winter tipple of the tavern loungers till within the last 50 years.

Education. No school was established in Northfield, during the period under review. The wife of Ebenezer Field, the smith, was the first teacher in town of whom a record exists. In 1721, she taught a class of young children at her own house, for 22 weeks of the warm season, and charged 4 pence each per week. She educated her own children well; her oldest daughter Joanna (who m. Col. Phinehas Wright) was the noted school-ma'am of the next generation. Mrs. Field (Elizabeth Arms of Deerfield) was a woman of great energy and versatility. We get but two glimpses of her life; the first, when she is keeping school; making shirts for the Indians at 8 pence each; making breeches for Ensign Field, her husband's brother at 1 shilling 6 pence per pair; besides managing her household, with four young children. We next see her ten years later, as Mrs. Azariah Wright, with 8 children, the youngest but a year old, and leisure to work at tailoring as formerly: leisure to spin and weave tow cloth to be exchanged with the traders for crockery and a few luxuries: to spin and weave a web of 26 yards of linen sheeting for Samuel Smith, for which she receives 24 shillings. Taking these as samples of other years, her life was a useful, productive and beneficent one. Both her husbands were "known in the gates, when they sat among the elders of the land." [*Prov.* 31 : 23.] She had in all fourteen children, the youngest twins.

Physician. Rev. Mr. Doolittle combined the two professions of theology and medicine. He was a regularly educated physician and surgeon, and was furnished with books and instruments, and kept a supply of drugs. His own townsmen, and the inhabitants of the new settlements as they were made, above Northfield, and the garrisons at Fort Dummer, and the Ashuelots, and No. 4, depended on his services; and in the battles and skirmishes of the old French war, the wounded were brought to him for treatment. In his prime, his medical practice became so large and lucrative as to awaken some jealousy among his tax-paying parishioners, as will appear in a subsequent chapter.

Up to near this date, physicians were scarce in old Hampshire county. In 1665, George Filer was allowed by the court to practice "as a chirurgeon" in Northampton. But he remained only a short time; and there was no surgeon in that town till 1730. Dr. John Westcar settled in Hadley in 1666; and for ten years eked out a scanty support by selling *aqua-vitæ* to the Indians and others. After his death, Hadley had no physician for 52 years. Dr. Thomas Hastings was in Hatfield at the time of King Philip's war; but derived his main support from teaching. Deerfield had no educated physician till Dr. Thomas Williams set up there about 1740.

Most of the medical practice in those early days, and especially the midwifery, were in the hands of females. As already stated, the wife of William Miller was the only physician in Northfield during the first two Settlements. She also on occasion, acted as surgeon, and was regarded as skillful. Rhoda Wright, daughter of Benjamin Jr., had a good reputation as doctor, and after her marriage to Asa Childs was the practicing physician of Deerfield for many years.

These practitioners (and the mothers) depended mainly on simples and specifics. Certain stimulating and cathartic roots and herbs, which had prompt action, together with poultices and plasters composed their materia medica; and with the good constitutions of the men and women of that day, were effectual in common ailments. Fevers and other miasmatic diseases, when epidemic, were usually very fatal.

A few years later, Ebenezer Field, the eldest son of the smith, became a somewhat noted *medicine man* in Northfield, and is named in the town records as "Dr. Field." He had great faith in the oil and galls of the rattlesnake, and was wont to go late in autumn before they denned for the winter, and early in spring before they scattered for the summer, to hunt these reptiles on Brush mountain. The oil was applied outwardly, and was considered a sovereign remedy for rheumatism. The gall was a specific for fever. It was mixed with powdered chalk, and made into pills. These pills were an article of regular traffic; were kept on sale by dealers in drugs, and were often prescribed by physicians.

Slave. "Ceasar" the slave boy of Ensign Field is named in the records of 1722.

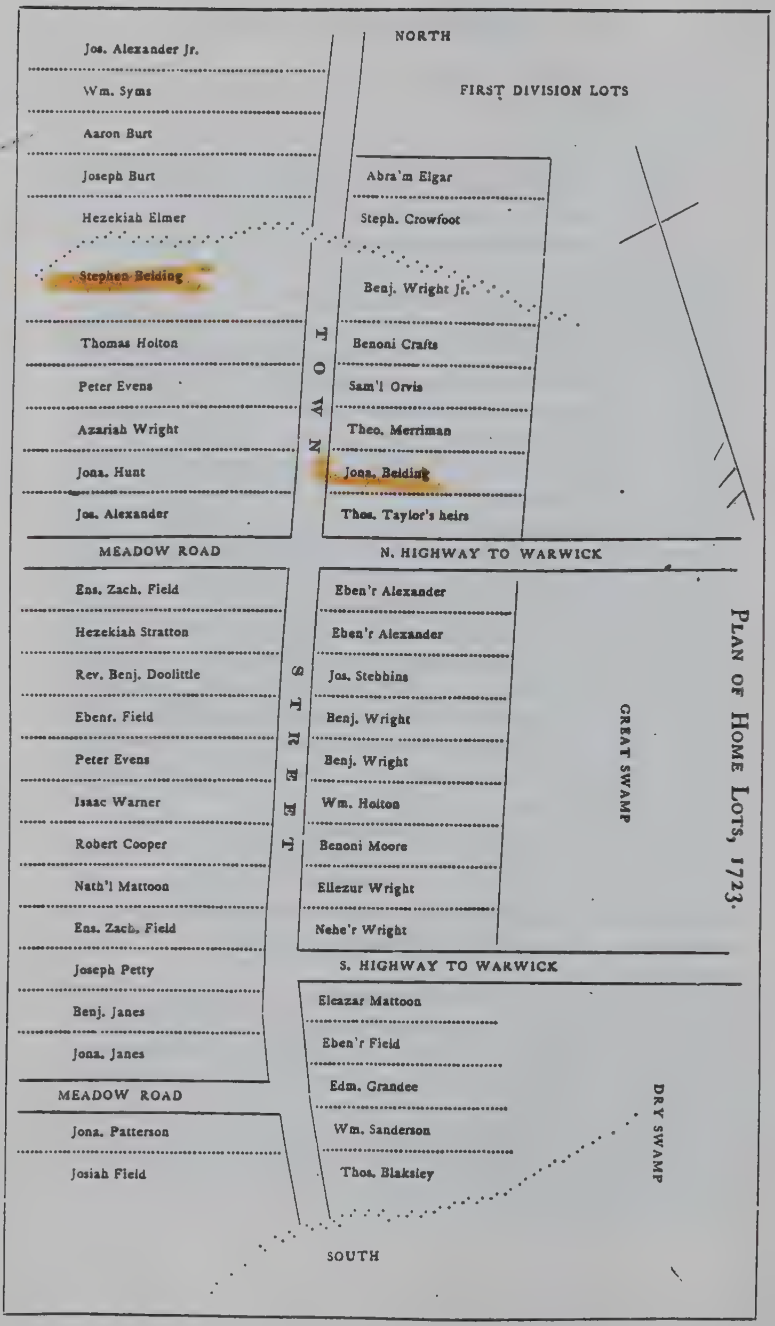
PLAN OF THE HOME LOTS IN THE THIRD SETTLEMENT.

During the First and Second Settlements, the main street of the village constituted the town. The same is true of the first 25 years of the Third Settlement; and substantially true of the succeeding 25 years, as very few of the inhabitants built and resided on their out farms, till after the close of the last French war. The history of the village home-lots has therefore a peculiar significance. For a long period, all events of public interest centred around them. The town's men and the town life were here; the schools were here; the mills were here; the forts were here; the headquarters of every movement was here. And not only the location of the street, but the lines of many of the lots remain unchanged to the present time. And the history and the fate of many families are intimately associated with the spot where their ancestor planted his home.

Such considerations seemed to require and to justify the expenditure of time sufficient to determine the exact location of the old family sites, and to trace the various transfers of property down to the present owners. From the fact that some families uniformly neglected to have their deeds recorded, the list of owners is not complete; and in some instances of short, or non-resident ownership, the names are omitted. And doubtless, in some few cases, deeds of transfer have been overlooked in our searches in the Registry offices; and thus blanks have been left, which more diligence would have supplied.

In the Plan, on the following page, the name of the first permanent resident owner after 1714, is affixed to the several lots; while in the description which follows, the name of the original grantee is affixed — thus connecting the historical memoranda of the Three Settlements.

The lots on the west side of the street all run to the brow of the meadow hill, unless otherwise specified; and were nominally 60 rods in length. Beginning, for the sake of convenience, at the lower end of the street, lot No. 1, of ten acres, bounded south on the falls of Miller's brook, was, in 1714, Common land. In 1718 it was granted by the town to Josiah Field, brother of Ens. Zechariah. He occupied it long enough to gain possession, and Mar. 14, 1726, *then of Springfield*, sells to Benoni Wright. Nov. 1728, Wright sells to



PLAN OF HOME LOTS, 1723.

Ens. Zechariah Field. In 1795 it was held by Samuel Field, and was then united to the lot next north.

No. 2. The John Holmes lot: 7½ a. 27 r. wide. April 1714, this lot was held by Joseph Severance of Deerfield, who did not settle upon it. Mar. 1, 1718, J. S. and wife Anna sell to Jonathan Patterson of Northfield. Patterson died that year, and the widow built and lived here. In 1760 Col. Eleazar Patterson sells to Samuel Field. It was then owned successively by Franklin Lord, John G. Mudge from Winchester, N. H., who built the house now standing; and Daniel Callender; Joseph B. Callender now owns from the meadow road to the falls.

No. 3. The Ralph Hutchinson lot: 27 r. wide. In April 1714, this was held by the Hutchinson heirs. May 9, 1716, John Hutchinson and Samuel Hutchinson of Lebanon, Ct., and Judah Hutchinson of Northampton, sell the lot and 40 a. of interval land, to Joseph Petty of Coventry, Ct. Aug. 25, 1718, Petty sells the lot, by exchange for the Samuel Janes lot, to Jonathan Janes of Northfield, who lived and died here; and it has been held by his descendants till the present time. The lot, as originally laid out, was 27 rods wide; but only 20 r. in width was occupied by Mr. Janes, the balance lying common. May 16, 1797, on petition of Dea. Ebenezer Janes, the town released him from the obligation to maintain the highway through the south lane to Warwick, he giving to the town a quitclaim deed of the strip of 3 r. wide of said lane, which had been granted to his father. And in lieu of this 1 a. and 20 r., the town granted a strip 7 r. wide in front and 10 r. in rear, on the south side of his home-lot, thus restoring said home-lot to its original dimensions.

The house now standing was built by Dea. Ebenezer Janes, and is a good specimen of the first-class dwellings put up at the close of the last French war. Near the south side of the lot as occupied by Jonathan Janes, is the house of Mark Woodard and son; and A. D. Elmer now owns and occupies the 7 rods addition.

No. 4. The Elder William Janes lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. April 1714, the lot was held by the Janes heirs. In the spring of 1716, Dea. Benjamin Janes took possession, and lived here till Sept. 28, 1725, when he sold out to Isaac Mattoon of Deerfield, and removed to Lebanon, Ct., where he was living June 9, 1731. Dr. Samuel Mattoon, son of Isaac, rebuilt the old house in 1760; the same is now standing, and is owned by E. Mattoon's heirs.

Isaac Mattoon was an "engager" in John Lyman's right, in 1714, but was prevented by some cause, now unknown, from coming to inhabit; and the town, Feb. 17, 1731, passed the following vote:—"granted to Isaac Mattoon 6 a. of land in Northfield, in consideration of his difficulty in coming first to settle here, and this grant to take place when y^e prior grants are laid out."

No. 5. The Samuel Janes lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. April, 1714, this was held by Samuel Janes's heirs. Aug. 25, 1718, Jonathan Janes sells, by exchange for the Ralph Hutchinson lot, to Joseph Petty, who resided here till his death, when the lot was sold to Joshua Lyman the blacksmith, who spent the rest of his days here. Feb. 12, 1788, Col James Lyman, son of Joshua, sells the lot to Isaac and Samuel Jr. Mattoon. It is now owned by Oliver S. Mattoon.

No. 6. The Robert Lyman lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. Mar. 12, 1711, Henry Cook sometime of Wallingford, now of Branford, Ct., sells John Mattoon of Wallingford one-half of all the lands in Northfield, formerly owned by Robert Lyman, his father-in-law; and Oct. 13, 1712, J. M. sells the same to his brother Isaac Mattoon of Deerfield, who sells, before 1714, to Ens. Zechariah Field of Deerfield. Nov. 12, 1728, Martha Cook, spinster, of Durham, Ct., sells to Nathaniel Mattoon of Northfield, the other "one-half of the lands belonging to my grandfather Robert Lyman, which descended to me by my mother Experience Cook, daughter of s^d Robert," and N. M. sells the same to Ens. Zechariah Field.

This lot was the site of a series of noted forts, both in earlier and later times. It was held in the Field family for four generations. Timothy Field sold it to George A. Stearns, who divided it, selling the south half to Dr. Elijah Stratton, who now owns it; and the north half to Joseph S. Beach, now owned by E. M. Alexander.

No. 7 The John Lyman lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. Mar. 12, 1711, Henry Cook (as above) sells half this lot, and all the land in Northfield once owned by John Lyman and Samuel Lyman, which came to him through his wife Experience, to John Mattoon of Wallingford, Ct., who sells the same Oct. 13, 1712, to his brother Isaac of Deerfield, who sells in 1716 to his brother Nathaniel of Northfield. Nov. 12, 1728, Martha Cook (as above) sells the remaining half to Nathaniel Mattoon, who had already built upon the lot. It was held by his son Elijah; was sold to Mark and Samuel Woodard; and is now owned by A. R. Lyman.

No. 8. The Cornelius Merry lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. April 1714, Jonathan Arnold was taxed for this lot. May 17, 1716, Cornelius Merry jr. and Bethia his wife, of Hartford Ct., sell to Robert Cooper of Deerfield, for £32, "all the allotments of land in Northfield made to his honored father, deceased, except 6 a. in Bennett's meadow." Cooper soon enlisted in the army, in which he had already seen, and was yet to see, much service; and Nov. 27, 1717, he makes Capt. Ebenezer Pumery of Northampton, his attorney. His family lived here till 1737, when he removed to his "choice lot" above Cooper's Point. Some years later, he sold this home-lot to Joseph Stebbins. Oct. 31, 1765, Joseph Stebbins jr. sells to his son Zebadiah; who sells, Jan. 26, 1785, to Samuel Field jr. In 1795 it was owned by Oliver Watriss; then by Samuel S. Stearns, who sold to Dea. Isaac Mattoon. James Mattoon sold the rear part of the lot to A. R. Lyman, and a house-lot on the street to Albert D. Stearns, and retains the balance.

No. 9. The Isaac Warner lot: 6 a. 16 r. wide. April 1714, this lot was held by his son Isaac jr., whose son Ebenezer sells it to Shammah Pomeroy. Pomeroy's son William built a new house on the north line of the lot, which is now owned and occupied by Jonathan Minott.

No. 10. The John Hilyard lot: 6 a. 16 r. wide. In April, 1714, the property was held by Timothy Hilyard, son of John. In 1737, it was owned by Peter Evens, and afterwards by his son Moses. In 1760, Moses Evens removed to Roxbury Canada, now Warwick; and Mar. 10, 1761, sells for £226 the house-lot with buildings thereon to Shammah Pomeroy, and after his death it was held by his son William. The old house stood near the north line of the lot. Shammah Pomeroy's saddler's shop was a noted place in its day; as was, later, the store of Pomeroy, Prior and Bowen, which was then a common two storied building, the upper story of which was occupied by lawyer's offices. The building has been remodeled, and is now the Post office, and store of L. T. Webster. The site of the store is owned by George Hastings, the balance of the lot by Jonathan Minott.

No. 11. The Joseph Parsons lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. This lot, as originally laid out, extended from the north side of the Post office building, to the south line of the present meeting-house lot. In April, 1714, Joseph Brooks was taxed for it. Aug. 12, 1715, Joseph Parsons and Capt. John Parsons sell it to Benjamin Stebbins of Northampton. June 23, 1716, B. S. and wife Mary sell to Jonathan Hunt of Northampton, who sold it to Ebenezer Field, whose widow held it in 1761. In 1795 William Field owned the lot. In 1809 it was bought by Joel Munsell, who sold the rear part to William Pomeroy, retaining 4½ a. of the front, which he sold about 1820 to Samuel S. Stearns, who sold to William Pomeroy.

The Field house stood broadside to the street; the workshop used by Mr. Munsell for the manufacture of his celebrated wooden plows standing back of the house, and jutting 10 feet southerly to within a few feet of the well now in Mr. Wright's summer-house. The rear part of the lot is now owned by Jona. Minott; and on the front are the dwelling houses of Phinehas Wright and Mrs. Lydia D. Everett.

No. 12. The Joseph Dickinson lot: 22 r. wide. This, now known as the Parson Doolittle lot, extended from the south line of the present meeting house, to Mr. Webster's north line. April 13, 1714, Nathaniel Dickinson of Hatfield, maltster, and his wife Hannah sell the lot to Lieut. Thomas Taylor of Deerfield. Lieut. Taylor, who was one of the most enterprising men of the town, appears to have built a large one story house, in the ample kitchen of which Sabbath services were held by Rev. Mr. Whitmore, and for a time by Mr. Doolittle. Lieut. Taylor was drowned in the fall of 1717; and Feb. 19, 1718, the house was hired by the town for the Rev. Benjamin Doolittle, who was preaching as a candidate, and who with his wife moved into it in March. Oct. 8, 1718, Mr. D. exchanged the "Minister's lot," on the east side of the street, with the heirs of Thomas Taylor, for this lot, paying £30 in cash. In 1723 a grant of 32 feet in length by 24 in width of the street, directly against the house he now lives in, was made to Mr. Doolittle, "to set a house on." Either the line of the street was then understood to be somewhat to the west of its present position, or Mr. D. did not occupy the full width of his grant; as the two elms at the head of Rail-road lane, which were set by Caleb Lyman in 1782, mark the front entrance to the house then built.

Dec. 31 1761, Lucius Doolittle sells the lot to Eleazar Pomeroy of Sunderland for £200. In 1773 Pomeroy sells to Caleb Lyman. Mr. Lyman put up a hatter's shop just north of the old house; and in 1801, built the commodious house now standing on the northerly side of the lot.

After the death of Caleb Lyman, the place was sold to Capt. Elisha Hunt; and has since been owned by Samuel C. Allen, George H. Phelps, George Hastings and Lewis T. Webster, who purchased in 1870.

In 1685 a highway two rods wide, on the north side of this home-lot, was laid to the cemetery; and in all the earlier deeds said two rods was reserved for public use. But Eleazar Pomeroy shut up the way, and after trying a variety of expedients, the town, in April 1767, *voted* to give Eleazar Pomeroy four pounds ten shillings, for a legal right of way two rods wide through his home-lot to the burying ground.

No. 13. The Samuel Davis lot: 22 r. wide. Nov. 10 1713, Thomas Baker, formerly of Northampton now of Brookfield, sells Hezekiah Stratton of Deerfield, formerly of Concord, four-fifths of the lands in Northfield granted to Samuel Davis, deceased. Feb. 7, 1722, Samuel Clarke, guardian of Mary Davis, daughter of John, and granddaughter of Samuel, sells to Stratton the remaining one-fifth. After the death of Mr. Stratton the land was divided, and in 1794 the south part, five acres, was held by Caleb Stratton and sister, and the north part by Eleazar Stratton. Eleazar sold his part in the spring of 1795 to Solomon Vose, and after Esq. Vose left town, it was bought by Rev. Ebenezer Gay, for his daughter, Mrs. Timothy Swan. After Swan's death, it was sold to Benjamin Murdock, and is now owned by Winsor L. Fay.

The south 5 acres was sold Aug. 19, 1795, by Caleb Stratton to Benjamin Callender, who repaired the house, changing the gambrel roof to its present form, and built a large store, broadside on the street, with projecting roof and portico to match. Daniel Callender sold to Franklin Lord; and the front is now occupied by the dwelling houses of Mr. Lord, S. Y. Walker, and A. S. Stratton.

No. 14. The Micah Mudge lot: 22 r. wide. May 18, 1698, Micah Mudge and Mary his wife, now of Lebanon Ct., sell all his lands in Northfield to Thomas Leffingwell of Norwich Ct. June 6, 1717, Thomas Leffingwell and wife Mary sell this home-lot to Ens. Zechariah Field, who sold to Samuel Hunt.

In 1797, Capt. Elisha Hunt bought of the town 6 rods in width of the 10 rods highway to the meadow, and April 19, 1809 sells 12 rods in width (4 a. 120 r.) of the north part to John Nevers. Before Gen. Nevers built his house, there was a large barn standing near the spot, with the yard in front; the stock were watered at the old fort well, near the line of the street. Mar. 5, 1811, Arad Hunt sells the remainder of the lot, 6 acres, to Nevers — "bounded south on land formerly owned by Solomon Vose, on which Timothy Swan now lives." The lot is now (1873) owned by Col. Charles Pomeroy.

No. 15. The John Alexander lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. March 8, 1721, John Alexander and wife Sarah, now of Northampton, sell the lot to his son, Joseph of Northfield. Jan. 14, 1731, Joseph Alexander sells to Josiah Sheldon of Suffield Ct., who sells, Mar. 9, 1732 to John Beaman of Deerfield, who resided here 15 years. In April 1747, Beaman sells the lot with the buildings thereon to Rev. Benjamin Doolittle, for 160 pounds "new tenor bills." May 21, 1759, Lucius Doolittle sells the lot, with barn and cow house standing thereon, to Philip Mattoon. The south part is now owned by J. L. Mattoon; the north part by Hezekiah Mattoon.

No. 16. The George Alexander lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. June 8, 1717, Samuel Curtis and Sarah his wife, of Northampton, with consent of Samuel Curtis and Henry Curtis, sell this lot to Lieut. Jonathan Hunt of Northampton, who put up a malt house, and appears by the records to have resided here 1720–23. May 14, 1728, Lieut. Hunt sells the lot to Eliezur Wright Sen., whose son Benoni owned and occupied it as late as 1764. In 1791, it was owned by John Harback and Samuel Brewer, who that year put up a large building, the front part of which was used for a store, and the back part for a distillery. Rev. Mr. Hubbard names it as a distillery of gin; but Mr. Francis Lyman says it was used for distilling New England rum from molasses. Mr. Harback died soon; and Mr. Brewer left town in the fall of 1797. Feb. 24, 1796, George Burrows, merchant, of Boston, and Aaron Putnam, administrators of the estate of Harback, sell the lot, with dwelling house, barn, store and other buildings standing thereon, to Timothy Dutton. The Benoni Wright house, then standing, was quite old, the front part of two stories, the rear with roof sloping down near to the ground. In the centre of the house was an enormous chimney, with a front room on each side, and a capacious kitchen behind. Dea. Dutton lived in the old house for a year or two, till he could finish a new one — which, minus the wings, is still standing. The store was kept up by Dea. Dutton and his son Timothy B. Dutton, for many years. On the death of the latter, the property was sold to Jonathan H. Blake; and is now owned by Franklin Field.

No. 17. The Samuel Wright lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. Feb. 8, 1715, Samuel Wright of Northampton, (son of the original grantee) sells out to his brother Ebenezer of Northampton, who sells Mar. 5, 1718, to his brother Eliezur. Nov. 5, 1725, Eliezur Wright sells the lot to his son Azariah, who married Jan. 27, 1727, widow Elizabeth Field, and July 4, 1727, moved into his new house. After living here 37 years, Azariah sells to his youngest son Abner, who, Mar. 25, 1764; leases it to his father. About 1785, the lot was bought by Obadiah Dickinson Esq. who built the house now standing. It was subsequently owned by Thomas D. Doak; now by John Mattoon 2d.

No. 18. The Thomas Webster lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. In April 1714, this lot was owned by Peter Evens, who built and resided here till 1741, when he removed for a time to his lands in Hinsdale, from which he was driven by the Indians in '44 or '45, and probably returned to his old home in Northfield. After his death, this estate was held by his heirs, and was sold, probably in 1759, to Ebenezer Harvey the carpenter, who lived here till 1773, when he sold to Aaron Whitney of Petersham. Whitney was a merchant; and when the Revolutionary war broke out, the town's stock of ammunition was kept at his store. He was suspected of toryism; and the town called a meeting July 10, 1776, *on one day's notice*, and *voted*, "To remove the town's stock of ammunition from Mr. Whitney's store to some other place." He however regained the confidence of his fellow citizens, and was often honored by election to important offices. He sold, Sept. 11, 1789 to Benjamin Green of Boston, who sold May 14, 1792 to David Barber a son-in-law of Dea. Dutton. The old store was continued in operation for many years by Mr. Barber. The property was sold by the Barber heirs to J. C. Brigham.

No. 19. The John Woodward lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. Previous to April 1714, Peter Evens bought all of John Woodward's rights in Northfield. Aug. 7, 1717, Evens sells this lot and 22 a. of meadow, to Thomas Holton of Northampton, who immediately took possession. Holton was killed by the Indians Aug. 13, 1723. Letters of administration were granted Dec. 6, to widow Mindwell Holton and her brother Dea. Samuel Allen of Northampton. The inventory of the real estate was not returned till Mar. 18, 1736; and the heirs probably lived here some time longer. About 1760, the lot was purchased by Aaron Burt, who conveyed it by deed of mortgage, July 26, 1766, to Charles Ward Apthorp of New York. In 1772, the lot was owned by Crean Brush, Jonathan Burt, and Samuel Wier, who sold April 27, 1773 to Aaron Whitney of Petersham. Sept. 11, 1789, Whitney sells to Benjamin Green of Boston. In 1791 or 92, Green sells to John Barrett Esq. who took possession, and made the lot his homestead. In 1796 or 97, writes Mr. Francis Lyman, "Lawyer Barrett built a good two story house, said to be the best on the street at that date. Shortly after, Capt. Elisha Hunt built one on the corner south of the centre school house, which was thought to be a little better than Barrett's. This touched the pride of the lawyer, and he added another story to his house; which in turn touched the pride of the Hunts, and the Capt. put on a third story — in neither case adding to the comfort or beauty of the dwellings."

This lot is now owned by J. C. Brigham.

No. 20. The John Clary lot. This historic spot has been spoken of in preceding chapters as the probable site of an Indian village, and the site of the second fort erected by the white settlers.

In April 1714, this double lot was set in the tax list to Joseph

Clary, son of John. June 30, 1717, Samuel Kingsley of Northampton and Joseph Clary of Swampfield sell the lot, with the mill privileges adjacent, to Stephen Belding of Swampfield. Jan. 26, 1779, this property was sold by Stephen Belding (Junior) to Aaron Whitney, who made large improvements, and carried on an extensive business in lumber and merchandise for several years. Sept. 11, 1789, Whitney sells to Benj. Green of Boston, who sold to John Barrett Esq. Barrett put up a store a few rods down the hill, which was kept a short time by Benjamim Callender, and subsequently by Thomas D. Doak, who eventually removed to Canada. The upper mill privilege was sold to Ezekiel Webster; the fulling-mill and a considerable part of the land to Josiah Fisher, who sold in 1814 to Capt. James White. A house-lot, on the original Richard Francis grant, is now owned by H. W. Webster, who has the Ezekiel Webster mill privileges. The balance of the Barrett lot is owned by J. W. Cowles, whose house stands near the bank of the brook, some distance back from the street.

This completes the list of estates in what was originally called the Town plot. But as several homesteads were assigned in the Second Settlement, north of the brook, and as these lots are intimately associated with events which transpired in the early period of the Third Settlement, a brief account will be given of the estates between Mill brook and Pauchaug.

The first five lots as originally laid out, were 60 rods long by 20 wide: the others extended to the River — which eventually became the limit of all the lots.

The Zachery Lawrence lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. July 6, 1714, Zachery Lawrence, formerly of Northfield, now of Hatfield, sells all his lands in N. to Joseph Clary of Hatfield, who sells this home-lot to Isaac Mattoon of Deerfield. July 15, 1717, Isaac Mattoon sells to Hezekiah Elmer of Northfield, who held it till about 1741. Jan. 8, 1749, Simeon Alexander, blacksmith, sells this lot for 300 pounds *old tenor* to Jona. Belding; who sells it, April 9, 1750, to Aaron Burt for £45.

Mar. 21, 1765, Aaron Burt and wife Miriam give a mortgage deed to Christopher Devonshier and William Reeve of Bristol, England. It is described as containing 10 acres, and bounded westerly on the River.

W. C. Billings has a house on the southeasterly corner; and Henry Wright 2d owns the balance of the front of this lot. The rear part is owned by H. W. Webster.

The Samuel Boltwood lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. In April 1714, William Boltwood held it in his father's right. On the opening of spring he went to Canada, to aid in recovering some English captives held by the French, and died below Quebec, on his return, Aug. 27, 1714. Jan. 5, 1717, Ebenezer Boltwood, of Berwick, York Co. Province of Maine, sells to Joseph Burt of Hatfield, all his honored father's rights in Northfield. About the time of Burt's death in 1757, a mortgage deed of this lot was given to Zachariah Johonnot of Boston, who held it in 1765. The property was subsequently redeemed by Aaron Burt, who spent his days here. The house, built by Joseph Burt, and once painted red, was standing within the memory of many now living. The Burts had a store, just north of the house, which was a noted place of business and resort in the early times.

In 1790, Asahel Cheney owned this property, and carried on an extensive business in the manufacture of eight-day clocks, many of which still exist, good time-keepers.

Elihu Phelps and Rufus Stratton bought the lot, and set up a distillery on the river-bank. They sold to Capt. Richard and Eli H. Colton. The place is now owned by the latter, who built a house on the exact site of the old Burt mansion.

The Joseph Warriner lot: 7½ a. 20 r. wide. Nov. 1, 1711, Ebenezer Warriner of Enfield Ct. sells all his father Joseph's rights in Northfield to Eleazar Mattoon of Deerfield. After several exchanges, it came into possession of the Burts. In 1753, Aaron Burt owned 5 acres of the south part, and Enos Burt had the north part. Mar. 21, 1765 Aaron Burt mortgaged his 5 acres to Devonshier and Reeve. Eventually it came into possession of Phelps and Stratton, who sold to Richard Colton and son. It is now owned by Eli H. and Alonzo Colton.

The William Syms lot: 7½ a. 20. r. wide. April 4, 1721, this lot was granted by the town to William Syms. Jan. 20, 1724, Syms gives a mortgage deed to Henry Dwight of Hatfield, who the next year took a warranty deed; and it was held by Dwight's heirs for several years. Asahel Burt owned the lot in 1742, and at the time of his death in 1747, and it was taxed to his heirs as late as 1758. In 1765 Aaron Burt gives a mortgage deed of this property, then called a 10 acre lot, to Devonshier and Reeve. In 1792, the lot was owned by James Merriam; since by Ebenezer Bancroft, Warren Mattoon, Lewis T. Webster, and now by J. Campbell.

The Joseph Alexander Jr. lot: 7½ a. Mar. 4, 1723, this lot was granted by the town to J. A. Jr. who sells it Dec. 9, 1732 to Ebenezer Petty of Northfield. In 1745 Joseph Petty owned 3 acres of the south part, which he sold to Ebenezer Warner, who in 1758 sells to Eldad Wright, the Petty heirs holding the remainder. Simeon Lyman bought 9 rods in width of the south side of the lot, i. e. 6 rods of Eldad Wright and 3 rods of — Petty. James Merriam, cabinet maker, bought the remaining 6 rods in width, and built a house and shop, which he sold to Ebenezer Bancroft. The whole lot is now owned by Francis Fisher.

The John Brown lot. This is the first of these lots which originally extended to the River. As laid out, it was 24 rods wide in front and 10 rods in the rear. It was granted by the town in 1730 to John Brown, who sells Jan. 31, 1734 to Joshua Lyman, blacksmith, then of Fort Dummer. Simeon Lyman, son of Joshua, settled here at his marriage, where he spent his days, and where since have lived his son Joseph, and grandson Simeon. The old house is now the kitchen part of a new and convenient dwelling.

A house lot of ¾ of an acre at the southeasterly corner is now occupied by Wright Stratton.

Next come a 4 acre lot, which was granted in 1733 to Enoch Hall, (who sold and removed in 1736 to Arlington, now Winchester) and a lot of 10 acres, originally laid out for a pasture to the heirs of Thomas Holton. With some changes of lines not now to be identified, the two appear to have been merged in one, and after various changes of ownership, the lot was purchased about 1782, by Major Elisha Alexander, who "moved from his father's across the way when his first child was two years old." The Major was a blacksmith; built a shop towards the north line of his lot, near where his son Elijah afterwards lived. This house lot of 1¼ acres is now owned by Charles Alexander. The main part of the old homestead is owned by William D. Alexander.

The Doolittle estate. This comprises two early grants. The southerly one, of 6½ acres, was laid out July 27, 1719, to Benoni Crafts; was sold by his heirs to Daniel Shattuck, who sells Feb. 17, 1726 to Rev. Benjamin Doolittle. The remaining 10 acres was a special grant, for a pasture, made to Mr. Doolittle in August 1718, when the town gave him a call to settle with them in the ministry.

Mr. Doolittle commenced building a house on this lot as early as 1744; but it was not finished till the close of the war, and near the time of his death.

His son Lucius kept a noted stage tavern here for many years; till the establishment of the turnpike, with its toll-gates, drove the travel from Southern Vermont for Boston, to a more northern route. The tavern sign is still preserved. On the top is the date, 1784. In the centre is painted a rabbit, with a tall elm standing on the right and left; and underneath, in clearly cut lettering is, DOOLITTLE'S TAVERN. It was a swinging sign; and the inscriptions and pictures are alike on both sides. This homestead is now owned by Charles Alexander.

Near the top of Pauchaug hill are two dwelling houses; the first, a brick house, owned by —— Trask of Erving, stands on the spot where Joseph Beach had a small house, many years ago; the other was built by John L. Mattoon, and is now owned by Joseph Lyman.

Returning now to the lower end of the street — the east side lots were nominally 60 rods in length, and reached to a two rods highway, which was laid out the entire length of the Town plot.

No. 1. The Thomas Blaksley lot: 7½ acres. This was triangular in shape, bounded southerly on Miller's brook, and was 40 rods wide on the street. It was granted by the town Feb. 10, 1720, to Thomas Blaksley, a relative of Rev. Mr. Doolittle. He was in town for a year or two, but probably did not take possession of the lot. It was afterwards granted to Benoni Wright; but no house was erected on it.

No. 2. The William Sanderson lot: 7½ acres. Aug. 12, 1718 this lot was granted to William Sanderson. Sanderson took possession; but the digging of clay, and setting up a brick-kiln in the highway, rendered it an undesirable place of residence, and he removed to Springfield, and Dec. 29, 1724, sells the lot and all his land rights in Northfield to Henry Dwight of Hatfield. In 1731, Dwight sells to Dea. Samuel Smith, who subsequently bought the Blaksley lot. The double lot was held by Capt. Reuben Smith, and is now owned by John Wright.

No. 3. The Edmund Grandee lot: 20 rods wide. This lot was granted to Edmund Grandee Dec. 17, 1717; but it is doubtful if he set a house upon it. About 1723, it was granted to Benjamin Miller, who sold it Nov. 14, 1729 to Ens. Zechariah Field. In 1761, the lot was bought by Elias Bascom, weaver and clothier, who lived here upwards of 20 years. In 1795, the estate was owned by Jabez Whiting, tanner; and subsequently by his son Abner. It is now owned by Isaac Mattoon.

Benjamin Miller, who built the first house on this lot was a soldier, hunter and trapper. He is reported to have killed as many as 99 deer in a single season, the skins of which he tanned and sold for breeches. April 23, 1731, the town granted him 13½ acres of land on the east side of Dry Swamp, 80 r. in length north and south, by 29 r. in breadth east and west. Dea. Phinehas Field says: "he built his house a little south of the brook, and paid for it in deer skins. His smoke-house was at the foot of the hill, right against the turn of the road leading to Wendell."

No. 4. The Ebenezer Field lot: 25 rods wide. In 1717, this lot was granted by the town to Jonathan Patterson, tailor, of Deerfield; who died the next year. March 10, 1719, the town made a grant of 8 a. of land "reserved for a smith," and 22 a. additional, to Ebenezer Field, blacksmith, of Deerfield, on condition of his removing to Northfield, and exercising his trade. The next year Mr. Field made a bargain with the Patterson heirs for this home-lot, and commenced to build a house, which was finished in the winter of '21. His deed from Eliezer Hawks and Mary Patterson, admin^{rs}, is dated Oct. 8, 1722, two years after he took possession. He was killed in Sept. 1723; and the homestead was sold to Ens. Zechariah Field, in whose family it remained for many years. Ebenezer Field had a "House of Entertainment" here as early as 1771. He was succeeded by his son Abner. The lot is now owned by John Mattoon.

No. 5. The Eleazar Mattoon lot. In 1717, Dea. Mattoon, who first took the Joseph Warriner, and afterwards the Palmer lot, north of Mill brook, exchanged the latter, by leave of the town, for this, till then vacant lot, where he built a house, and lived till 1738, when he sold to Seth Field Esq. and removed to Amherst. In modern times the place is known as the Seth Field homestead. In 1795, it was owned by Josiah White, millwright, who sold to Zechariah Field (son of Dea. Paul), who built the house now standing. The estate has since been owned by Thomas Lord, and now by Joseph Young.

The highway north of this lot was laid out 10 rods wide. But as it was not all needed for public travel, Mar. 13, 1728, the town *voted*, that Jonathan Janes shall have 3 rods wide of land in the highway, from Lieut. E. Wright's home-lot southerly, upon consideration that s^d Janes do maintain the rest of s^d highway for the benefit of the town. Said Jonathan Janes doth promise for himself and his heirs forever to maintain a good feasible road through the above said highway, from the first rise of land or little pond, to the rear of Lieut. Wright's lot. This right and obligation continued in force till the spring of 1797, when Ebenezer Janes gave to the town a quit-claim deed of the said 3 rods in width, and the town released him from the obligation to support the road, — and at the same time voted to give him 7 rods in width of land lying south of his homestead, as already narrated.

Soon after this exchange, the town agreed to sell 5 rods in width of the north side of the highway in question; and it was accordingly divided into 5 lots, each 6 by 12 rods, and sold to the highest bidder. Obadiah Dickinson bought the first lot, abutting on the street, which was afterwards annexed to the adjacent home-lot, now owned by Timothy Field.

No. 6. The Joseph Root lot: 20 rods wide. In April 1714, this lot was held by the original grantee. Dec. 27, 1720, Joseph Root then of Sunderland, sells to Jonathan Belding, who exchanges June 15, 1725 with Lieut. Eliezur Wright, for the Jacob Root lot. Nehemiah Wright, son of Eliezur, built a house and lived here for many years. About 1784, Ebenezer White bought the place, and built the house now standing. White was a jeweller and merchant. Mar. 27, 1788, Ebenezer White, goldsmith, sells this home-lot for £300 to Josiah White millwright: but in 1797 it was owned by Ebenezer. The lot was afterwards purchased by Samuel Field. There are now three dwelling houses upon the street front, severally owned by Timothy Field, Charles H. Stearns, and the heirs of Capt. Samuel Lane.

No. 7. The John Hutchinson lot: 20 r. wide. Dec. 1, 1717 Jonathan Hunt of Northampton sells all the lands in Northfield granted to John Hutchinson, now of Lebanon Ct., to Lieut. Eliezur Wright, who built, lived and died here; and was succeeded by his son Col. Phinehas, and his son Eliphaz, and his son Horace. Col. Phinehas built near the south side of the lot. The house was of two stories, with only two rooms on the ground floor, and stood close to the street line. It was clapboarded, and was painted red. Eliphaz built just north of his father, leaving a drive way between the house and the old apple tree still standing. Horace built on the north part of the lot, which is now owned by the heirs of Robert G. Cook. The southerly part belongs to the Lane estate.

No. 8. The Benoni Moore lot; 19 r. 11 ft. wide. This lot lay common during the First and Second Settlements. It was granted in 1714 to Remembrance Wright; but he did not take it up. Mar. 8, 1716, it was granted to Benoni Moore, who Jan. 6, 1719 gave a mortgage deed to Henry Dwight of Hatfield; but he appears to have redeemed the mortgage, and lived here till after 1742. In 1795, the lot was owned by Oliver Watriss, who built a house on the north part, which was held by his son Richard, and is now owned by Martin Dickinson.

The south part of the lot was purchased by Jabez Parsons, and is now the homestead of his son A. C. Parsons.

No. 9. The William Miller lot: 20 r. wide. This estate was held by the Miller heirs till Dec. 17, 1717, when Ebenezer and Abraham Miller sell all their father's land rights in Northfield to William Holton, weaver, of Northampton. Eleazar Holton lived here with his brother for a considerable number of years: About 1785, Samuel Holton's heirs sell the lot to Hophni King, carpenter. In 1789, King sells 5 a. (13⅓ r. wide) of the north part to Elisha Hunt. Mar. 6, 1792, Hunt sells the 5 a. to Oliver Watriss who also buys the south part. Before 1795, Watriss sells 4 a. on the north side of the lot to Reuben Wright, which is now held by Henry Wright—except a house lot of 1 a. (8 × 20 rods) on the front, which was sold in 1812 to Isaac Prior, and is now the Joel Fay homestead. About 1793, Watriss sells the 3½ a. on the south side of the lot to Barnabas Billings, who put up a house, which he used for a dwelling and store. April 15, 1804, Billings sells his 3½ a. with buildings thereon, to Caleb and Josiah D. Lyman, who sold to Jabez Parsons. The front is occupied by the dwellings of H. S. and E. F. Russell, and Dr. M. S. Mead.

No. 10. The Ens. John Lyman lot: 20 r. wide. In 1714, Capt. Benjamin Wright bought this lot, and sold 3¾ a. of the south part to his son Remembrance, and the same is now held by Henry Wright a direct descendant.

Jan. 7, 1724, Capt. Wright sells the north half of this lot and 1 a. of his original grant adjoining—making 4¾ a.—to his son Daniel, who built and lived here. In 1795, Reuben Wright owned the entire lot. The original south line of the Ens. Lyman grant, was just north of Joel Fay's north bounds. And none of the present division lines here correspond with those of the original grant. The dwelling houses of Henry Wright and Col. Belcher stand on this grant.

It is a fact of special interest, that the 3¾ a. of the south part of this lot, is the only homestead on the street, which has passed by direct descent from father to son since the resettlement of the town in 1714.

No. 11. The Capt. Benj'n Wright lot: 19 r. 11 ft. wide. Capt. Wright took possession of this estate in 1685; his house stood a little south of the centre of the lot. Dec. 26, 1728, he sells 3 a. 30 r. (8½ rods wide) of the north part, including half the barn, to his son William, and retains the 3 a. 30 r., which he called his own homestead, till July 10, 1740, when he sells to Remembrance Wright Jr.

In 1795, Dr. Medad Pomeroy owned the north part, and David Wright the south part. Dr. Pomeroy built the house now standing which was then regarded as new style, and very elegant, and was the pattern for most of the first class dwellings put up near that date.

The turnpike, which was laid out in 1799, took 2 rods in width of the front and nearly 4 rods in width of the rear of this lot. Col. Jonathan Belcher bought the south part of this estate, and the north part of the adjoining lot, in 1821, of Caleb Cook, and retains 8 rods in width as his own home-stead. The balance of the lot, except the town house site, is owned by George Alexander. Capt. Wright's original south line was just north of Col. Belcher's house.

No. 12. The William Clarke lot: 19 r. 11 ft. wide. In 1714 this estate was held by the Clarke heirs, and in 1717 was taxed to Ebenr and Increase Clarke of Northampton. April 22, 1721, Ebenezer Clarke sells the lot to Moses Nash of Hadley, who sold in 1726 to Joseph Stebbins of Deerfield, who spent his days here. Elisha Stebbins next owned it, and sold the north half to Joshua L. Woodbridge and the south half to Noadiah Warner. May 10, 1787, Woodbridge and Warner sell to Obadiah Dickinson; who sells June 2, 1787, to Joseph Coolidge of Boston. In 1795, the estate is owned by Edward Houghton, who built a new house about the time the turnpike was projected, and opened a hotel, which has since been kept by Amos Alexander, Aaron Lord, Chapin and Allen, Thomas B. Mattoon, and is now owned and kept as a hotel and summer boarding-house by James S. Pickard. The turnpike took a strip of 2 rods in width and running to a point, on the southerly side of this estate.

No. 13. The Nathaniel Alexander lot: 19 r. 11 ft. wide. Nathaniel Alexander held his right in the estate till 1719 or 20, when he sold to his nephew Ebenezer Alexander, who sold to Jonathan Hunt, who sold Mar. 1, 1738 to his son Samuel, who left it to his son Elisha. Rev. Thomas Mason purchased the lot, and sold ½ of an acre to Thomas Lyman, who built a small dwelling-house and hatter's shop. This Lyman lot — enlarged to ¾ of an acre is now the homestead of Charles Osgood. The Mason heirs sold the balance of the lot to Arad Alexander, who sold to David West Allen, the present owner.

No. 14. The Richard Lyman lot: 19 r. 11 ft. wide in front: 20 r. 5½ ft. in rear. Nov. 29, 1715, Ebenezer Edwards of Coventry Ct. sells this lot and all other lands in Northfield of Richard Lyman, late of Lebanon, Ct. deceased, to Jonathan Hunt of Northampton, who sells in 1719 or 20 this home-lot to Ebenezer Alexander. Dec. 8, 1732, Dea. Alexander sells to Samuel Hunt, who left it to his son Elisha. Capt. Samuel Hunt kept a noted tavern here as early as 1765: which was continued by Capt. Elisha, as late as 1802. Capt. Hunt built his new house — now standing — about the year 1798; at first of two stories; but added another, to keep even with lawyer Barrett, as before narrated.

This property was purchased by the Northfield Academy corporation in 1829, newly fitted up, and held by them till the franchise was sold to Phinehas Allen in 1836. Mr. Allen relinquished his school in 1843; when the premises were occupied as a Temperance hotel, for a time. A. W. Ross now owns the Hunt homestead. Dr. Philip Hall purchased a home lot at the southwesterly corner of this estate, where he built and still resides.

No. 15. The Minister's lot: 19 r. 11 ft. wide. This reserved lot was made over to Rev. Benjn. Doolittle, in 1718, but he did not occupy it; and Feb. 4, 1720 exchanged with the heirs of Lieut. Thomas Taylor, deceased. Jan. 13, 1740, Thomas Taylor, cordwainer, sells this lot for £157, to Lieut. Jona. Belding. Nov. 24, of the same year, the town granted Lieut. Belding 11 feet in width adjoining the rear of this lot, the same to be continued across the lot next north, and for 2 rods and 11 feet on the rear of the Merriman lot, "in lieu of what is *wanting* in y^e minister's lot, on condition he accepts it." Dec. 7, 1763, Jona. Belding Sen. deeds to Jona. Jr., the home-lot granted to the minister, "reserving one-third part of the house during my natural life." This house is now standing.

Jona. Belding Jr. sold 4 acres of the south part of the lot to Dr. Charles Blake, who built the house now owned by W. H. Phelps. The north part was held by Joseph Belding; then owned by David Ball, who repaired the house; then by Elbridge Foskett, who sold to Rev. Theodore J. Clarke.

No. 16. The Jacob Root lot: 20 r. wide. June 24, 1717, Jacob Root, then of Hebron Ct. sells his home-lot and 30 a. of meadow, to Lieut. Eliezur Wright of Northampton. June 15, 1725, Lieut. Wright exchanges this for the Joseph Root lot, with Jona. Belding, who held it during his life. After 1795, 4½ a. (12 r. wide) of the north part was sold to James Darling, who sold to Timothy B. Dutton, and the same is now the homestead of Dea. Samuel W. Dutton. The balance of the lot, and the north part of the Minister's lot—7 acres—is now owned by Rev. T. J. Clarke.

The meeting-house of the second Congregational Society stands on the northwest corner.

No. 17. The Daniel Warner lot: 20 r. wide. In 1714, this lot was taxed to Eleazar Warner. In 1718, it was granted to Theophilus Merriman of Wallingford Ct. After his death in 1723, it was held by his heirs in common till 1737, when it was divided as follows: to the widow 2½ a.; to Theophilus Jr. 2 a.; to Samuel 1 a.; to

Sarah 1 a.; to Anna 1 a. Dec. 28, 1737 Ephraim and Anna (Merriman) Chamberlain sell her portion, lying on the north line of the lot (2¾r. wide) to Jona. Belding, who sells the same Feb. 9, 1750 to Rev. John Hubbard. In 1742, Josiah Willard Jr. of Keene owned ½ a. of this estate, and Thomas Taylor owned a part. In 1749, the town appointed a committee to negociate with Samuel Merriman for the purchase of the lot; and subsequently granted it to Rev. John Hubbard as a parsonage. It has since been known as the parson Hubbard home-lot: and is now owned by Moody Darling and Walter Field.

No. 18. The Samuel Orvis lot: 16 r. wide. Jan. 30, 1718, the town granted this lot to Samuel Orvis of Farmington Ct. Feb. 17, 1720, Orvis sells to Stephen Belding, who sells in 1727 to Nathaniel Dickinson of Hatfield, who built a house in 1728. The house was brick-lined, and had brick ends, and was used as a fort in the old French War. The Dickinson heirs sold the north half to Gad Corse of Deerfield, a tanner and shoe-maker. This half was owned for a time by Cephas Wells of Waterbury Ct. who sold Feb. 8, 1808 to Benjamin Darling. It is now owned by Azariah R. Barber. The south half was owned in 1795, by Benoni Dickinson; in 1808 by Samuel Dickinson; since by Jona. H. Blake, Josiah Brown, and A. W. Ross; now by Boucher de Stone.

No. 19. The Benoni Crafts lot: 16 r. wide. Aug. 12, 1718, the town granted this home-lot and other lands to Benoni Crafts of Hatfield, who settled, and died here in 1722. April 7, 1725, John Crafts, administrator, sells the homestead to Josiah King, cordwainer, who soon after sold to Daniel Shattuck. It was next owned by Asahel Stebbins, and sold by his heirs before 1754 to Alexander Norton, whose son Selah held it. Dea. Moses Field bought it, and built a new house. It is now owned by P. McHugh.

No. 20. The Benj. Wright Jr. lot: 24 r. wide in front, 12 r. in rear. Aug. 12, 1718, this lot was granted by the town to Benj. Wright Jr. who was a disabled soldier, and becoming poor, mortgaged the lot Dec. 18, 1720 to Thomas Wells of Deerfield. During the years 1728-9, the heirs, viz. John and Rachel Bement of Northfield, Enoch and Martha Hall of N.; Thankful Wright, spinster, of Durham Ct. and Asa and Rhoda Childs of Deerfield sell the estate to Benoni Wright Sen. In 1772 it was owned by Nathan Fiske, tailor, who removed to Westminster Vt. and sold Aug. 30, 1782, to Ezekiel Webster, blacksmith, of Deerfield. The lot has since been held by his son Arad, and his son Charles.

This home-lot is bounded northerly on Mill brook, and was the last lot in the town plot.

North of the brook were two home-lots, 20×60 rods, laid out and granted in 1685.

The Benjamin Palmer lot. Dec. 29, 1702, Benj. Palmer, then of Plainfield Ct. sells this homestead to Enoch Randall of Enfield Ct. who sold to Eleazar Mattoon. In 1717, Mattoon exchanged with the town, for the lot down street, on which he built: and April 4, 1721, the town grantedthis lot to Stephen Crowfoot, carpenter, of Hatfield. Mar. 1, 1735, Crowfoot sells to Thomas Blaksley of Waterbury Ct., and Mar. 8, 1735, T. B. sells to Benoni Wright of Northfield. Samuel Burr from Hartford Ct. owned or occupied the south part of this lot from about 1734 to 1749, when he removed to Hinsdale. In 1781, John Holton owned the lot, and held it for many years. The north half is now owned by J. L. Dunklee; the south half by Timothy Crelan.

The William Weeks lot. In 1735, this lot was owned by Abraham Elgar, who sold, before 1750, the south half to John Holton, and Feb. 7, 1753, sold the north half to Aaron Burt, who also bought out Holton. Burt sells 3 a. on the south side to Elisha Stebbins, who sold his 3 a. April 20, 1781 to William Belcher, tailor; and the same is now owned by Elias Lyman. Aaron Burt sold the 4 a. on the north side to Dr. Samuel Prentice. Dr. P. set his house on the high land back from the street, intending some day to put a more pretentious edifice in front, to which the other could be attached as an ell. But advancing age, and the scattering of his family, prevented. This 4 a. is now owned by C. W. Shepardson.

North of this point, the land lay common till 1731, when the town made what is known as the First division of Commons. Lot No. 31, lay partly back of the Weeks home-lot, and partly reached to the street. This part, containing 14½ acres, was 220 r. long, as were all the remaining lots. The list, from this point north, is as follows:

31. Containing in all 23¼ a. to Dea. Eleazar Mattoon;
32. 2¾ acres, to Ebenezer Webb;
33. 25¾ acres, to Isaac Warner;
34. 7½ acres, to Jona. Patterson's heirs;
35. 13¼ acres, to Remembrance Wright;
36. 3½ acres, to John Bement;
37. 7½ acres, to Benj'. Miller;
38. 12 acres to Joseph Burt;
39. 10 acres, to Samuel Smith;

40. 12¼ acres, to William Wright ;
41. 2¾ acres, to John Alexander ;
42. 26 acres, to Dea. Ebenezer Alexander ;
43. 14 acres, Thomas Holton's heirs ;
44. 37 acres, to Jonathan Belding ;
45. 2¾ acres, to Joseph Petty Jr. ;
46. 12¼ acres, to Thomas Taylor's heirs ;
47. 37¾ acres, to Stephen Belding ;
48. 6¾ acres, to Ebenezer Field's heirs ;
49. 19½ acres, to Daniel Shattuck ;

Most of these lots soon changed owners ; and many of the division lines were obliterated. And it is possible to state only in a general way, how the present homesteads assumed their dimensions and forms.

Isaac Warner sold out, May 19, 1731 to his son Israel, who also bought the same year Ebenezer Webb's 2¾ acres, and built a house, about 1734, just below the site of A. A. Long's. Afterwards this place and the Dea. Mattoon lot adjoining, came into possession of Eldad Wright, who built or rebuilt, near the old spot. It was "a house of ancient date" in 1795. The place is now owned by Alvin A. Long.

Next north is the Dea. Samuel Root homestead, comprising four or more of the early grants. As early as 1750, Dea. Root built a house and hatter's shop near the centre of this lot, where he carried on a successful trade, and spent his days. His son Moses sold this farm of 43 a. 50 r. April 27, 1797, to Timothy B. Dutton, who sold to Col. Medad Alexander. Col. Alexander divided the lot, and sold the south part to John Long. The north part is now owned and occupied by Capt. Henry Alexander.

There was a house and garden spot of half an acre, on this farm, occupied from 1784 to '94 by John Pitts, who advertizes in the *Greenfield Gazette* Sept. 4, 1792, that he "carries on the business of making clothier's shears at Northfield, cheap for ready pay." Probably the same house is referred to in the deed from Root to Dutton, in which is a clause, "reserving his house and ½ an acre of land to Ephraim Wilson for 5 years, with a right to move it off then."

The next 35 acre homestead comprises the Division lots laid out to John Alexander, William Wright, Samuel Smith, and in part that of Joseph Burt. April 28, 1731 Samuel Smith sells his 10 acres to John Alexander, tailor, of Northfield, and the said John, Oct. 5, 1733, then a soldier at Fort Dummer, sells the same to his brother

Joseph. This and the balance of the 35 acres was purchased by Capt. Thomas Alexander, whose son, Col. Medad, built the house now owned by R. C. Fisher. The south part is now owned by A. L. Hale.

Next north is the Dea. Ebenezer Alexander homestead. Dea. Alexander sold his home-lot in the village in the winter of 1732, and built, probably the next year, on this Division lot. His was the first house put up in the immediate neighborhood; was brick lined; and had a projecting upper story with port holes. In the old French War the house was transformed into a fort, and a *mount* erected—to be described in full in a subsequent chapter. Simeon Alexander, the blacksmith, succeeded his father; by whom or his heirs, the lot was sold to David Barber (who also bought the Holton and part of the Belding lots). Sept. 2, 1812, David Barber Jr. sells Elijah Alexander and Richard Colton, the south half—23½ acres—of the lot which he bought at vendue of Ezekiel Webster guardian to David Barber Sen. bounded south by Col. Medad and Thomas Alexander, and north by the other part of said lot. Capt. Colton subsequently bought the balance of the estate, which embraces the original Dea. Alexander and part or all of the Thomas Holton lots. It is now owned by E. Wells Colton.

Jonathan Belding appears to have put up a house on the northerly part of his grant, but at what date is uncertain. It stood north of the Winchester road. His son Jonathan sold the northerly part of this grant to Lewis Page, who sells 4 a. of the same to Isaiah Moody April 13, 1797. Mr. Moody purchased of David Barber Jr. the balance of the Jona. Belding lot, now owned by Z. Rugg, L. A. Moody and M. A. Moody.

Still further north, John Petty built a house about 1736, perhaps near the site where is now the house of Elisha Alexander. The view of the valley and distant hills to the west and north west, from these lots, is one of rare beauty.

Descending towards Pauchaug, are now the houses of Thomas Conway; Willard Bancroft; and the house built 75 years ago by Elisha Lyman.

Sept. 3, 1790, Elijah Stratton sells Levi Page of Keene N. H. 4½ acres, lying on the east side of the road near Pauchaug old gate, bounded east by Alexander Norton, north by Philip Mattoon, west and south by the road leading to Pauchaug gate, with house on the premises. [Pedajah Field sold this lot to Hezekiah Stratton, June 23, 1745.]

Odd Lots.—The town sometimes granted leave to individuals who had no home-lot, to put up houses *in the street.* The following is an example: "Mar. 4, 1728. Liberty of a small piece of land is granted to Nathaniel Chamberlain for his use this year to set a house, and a garden spot up in the Lane as is by the side of Ens. Zechariah Field's home-lot as is going down to the upper gate, or else upon the front of the street against the front of Ens. Field's lot."

CHAPTER VI.

Father Ralle's War. 1723–1726.

Occasion of the War — Father Ralle and French Intrigue — Massachusetts and New Hampshire against Canada — The New England People not united — Soldiers at Northfield — Town Forts built — Close of the Committee's Administration, and the Town incorporated — Gray Lock — Killing of Thomas Holton and Theophilus Merrmian — Attack on the Town, Oct. 9, 1723 — Fort Dummer built — Town Forts rebuilt — Death of Father Ralle — Capt. Kellogg's Expeditions — Capt. Thomas Wells's Scout — Capt. Benj. Wright's two Scouts — Death of Gov. Vaudreuil — Treaty of Peace.

WHEN the thread of our narrative was broken off, in the preceding chapter, a war with the Indians was impending.

It does not come within the scope of this work, to treat of the remote causes of this war. Directly, it grew out of the pushing forward of settlements, and building of forts, at the head of the bays and up the rivers in the Province of Maine, on lands which the English claimed to have acquired by purchase and by treaty — the validity of which claim the Indians denied. The Indians also charged the English with bad faith, in neglecting to erect trading houses, for the convenient exchange of peltry and supplies, and the non-fulfillment of other stipulations.

The Governments of England and France took no open part in this war. Ostensibly, it was a struggle between the Provinces of Massachusetts and New Hampshire on the one side, and the Indian tribes living east of the Merrimack river on the other side. Connecticut had no interest in these eastern lands; she was comparatively safe from attacks, as her northern and western neighbors were a wall of defence; and she aided her sister colonies only so far as policy dictated. New York was opposed to the war. She had at best but few bonds of sympathy with Massachusetts. It was for her interest to build up and control the trade with the native tribes living to the west and north; and any line of action which might endanger her existing and somewhat complicated Indian alliances, was manifestly impolitic. In a letter dated Dec. 16, 1724, Gov. Burnet says, "As to entering into a war with the eastern Indians, the assembly of this Province in 1722, did expressly refuse to contribute to."

It was a Massachusetts war. Her people bore the brunt of the fighting and the costs. She placed upon the altar the sacrifice which wrought the redemption of New England, and secured a 20 years' peace. New Hampshire supported Massachusetts; indeed her position left her no other alternative. Many of the leading officers in command were New Hampshire men — though a small part only of the forces were raised by that government.

At the outset, war measures were much hindered by a division of sentiment among our own people; a considerable party, both in and out of the legislature, doubting whether a war upon the natives would be right or even justifiable. They deprecated the waste of blood and treasure, always incident to the arbitrament of the sword; questioned the equity of our demands, while they gave full credit to the alleged provocations and wrongs of the savages. As late as April 20, 1724, Col. Samuel Partridge of Hatfield in a letter to the governor says: "In the way we are in, that company of eastern Indians may hold us in hazards, especially the frontiers for many years. They say we take their lands; it seems to be meet that matter was settled, and a line of division settled between us and them, and if any of ours claim to their wrong, it should be righted, and not a whole Province and neighboring Provinces put to such vast expenses, yea the loss of many lives, as hath been experienced already." This want of unanimity in prosecuting the war, was a cause of weakness, and gave great encouragement to the Indians and their allies.

For while the two parties in the struggle were, in appearance, the people of Massachusetts and New Hampshire on the one side, and the eastern Indians on the other, the real power with which the two colonies were at war was the Governor General of Canada backed by the King of France. The following paper, found in the French Archives at Paris, gives the *modus operandi.*

"*Memoir Reſpecting the Abenaquis of Acadia*, 1718.

"'Tis true that the limits of New France and New York were fixed by virtue of the treaty of Ryſwick [1697] at St. George's river, where the arms of the two crowns had been attached to a ſpruce tree, the branches of which had been cut off. But the war which followed ſoon after, changed the limits. The ſpruce tree has been thrown down. Moreover the Abenaquis pretend that the whole of that coaſt, and all the rivers to be found therein, belong to them. And it is our intereſt to ſuſtain theſe pretenſions. It is in fact the only means we poſſeſs to prevent the Engliſh eſtabliſhing themſelves throughout that entire country, up to the height of land, that is very near to Quebec and Montreal.

"If it be proper to maintain the Abenaquis in our alliance, the governor of Boſton muſt be given to underſtand, that if he undertake to ſettle any of the lands belonging to our Indian allies, it will be impoſſible to refuſe aſſiſtance to them. And the neceſſity of this courſe will be obvious, if we reflect ever ſo little. 1. That this nation [the Abenaquis] is the only ſupport of the Colony againſt the Engliſh or the Iroquois. 2. If we do not admit or pretend to admit their right to the country they occupy, they will never be induced to take part in any war for the defence of this ſame country, which is the rampart of Canada. 3. If ſome intereſt be not exhibited in their defence, they will divide themſelves between the French and Engliſh; and inaſmuch as they experience better terms in regard to trade from the latter than from the former, it will not be long before they are wholly attracted to them. More than half the tribe is already Engliſh by inclination, and retained only by Religion; their miſſionaries alone have the power, it is admitted, to perſuade them to ſubmit to the will of the Governor General. 4. If matters be allowed to proceed ever ſo little in the courſe they have been for ſome time purſuing, New France will be bounded on the ſouth by the river St. Lawrence: it will be neceſſary to abandon all our poſts and ſettlements on that ſide, and nothing will prevent the Engliſh and Iroquois making irruptions into the very heart of Canada.

"A goodly number of Engliſh families having made their appearance ſome years ſince at the lower part of the river Kennebec, below the Norridgwalk miſſion, received permiſſion to ſettle there, and have actually two forts there. Father Ralle, miſſionary at N. did make ſome efforts to prevent this ſettlement, the conſequences of which he foreſaw. * * The Indians of Norridgwalk beginning laſt ſummer to take ſome umbrage at their new gueſts, wiſhed to know, in caſe it become neceſſary to uſe force to diſlodge them, whether they could count on the aid of the French; they deputed ſome among them to wait on the Marquis de Vaudreuil to explain to him the ſituation in which they were placed, and to demand of him, who called himſelf their father, and to whom they had always been ſubmiſſive as children, whether he was diſpoſed to aſſiſt them againſt the Engliſh in caſe of a rupture, as they had aſſiſted him at the expenſe of their blood on every occaſion that he had required them. The General aſſured them that he ſhould never fail them in time of need. But what aſſiſtance, Father, will you give us? they aſked. My children, anſwered M. de Vaudreuil, I ſhall ſecretly ſend you ſome hatchets, ſome powder and lead. I will engage the other Indian tribes to furniſh you aid, and rather than abandon you to the mercy of the Engliſh, I will myſelf march at your head."[1]

As is made evident by this document, a main reliance of the French, in establishing their power over the natives, was through religious proselytism. The priests of the Catholic faith always went with the earliest adventurers, to establish missions and open chapels. And just now, these missions afforded a convenient cover for political designs, and the priests were the most efficient agents in stirring up the Indians to jealousy, and urging them on to acts of war.

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[1] *Col. Hist. of N. Y.*, IX, 878.

The two most prominent of these agents, in the interest of the French, were the Rev. Father Superior, La Chasse, and Father Sebastian Ralle. And from the leading public part taken by the latter in the principal events of this struggle, it has been called *Father Ralle's War.*—Sebastian Ralle, or Râle was of French descent, b. Jan. 4, 1657. Being appointed a missionary from the society of Jesuits to the Indians of North America, he embarked July 30, 1689, and arrived at Quebec in October. He learned the language of the Abenakis; was stationed at St. Francis; was in Illinois 1693-4; was on the Kennebec from 1695, till his death Aug. 23, 1724. From papers found in his possession, and in his own hand-writing, the governor of Massachusetts felt authorized to say, in a letter dated Jan. 19, 1725, "He [Ralle] instigated the Indians to war and rapine, instead of preaching peace and friendship; agreeable to the doctrines of the Christian religion — as is proved by the papers found among his effects at Norridgewock."

THE WAR OPENED. 1722.— The first open act of war on the part of the Indians, was on the 13th day of June, 1722, when a party of 60 savages, appearing on the northern margin of Merrymeeting bay in 20 canoes, took captive 9 entire families. This was followed by other similar outrages; and July 25, the governor and council of Massachusetts formally resolved, that the Eastern Indians were traitors and robbers, guilty of plundering, despoiling, murdering and taking captive many of his Majesty's good subjects, and declared war against them and their confederates.

The principal theatre of this war was in the Province of Maine, and the details do not properly belong to our narrative. But the intimate relations subsisting between the Eastern tribes and the St. Francis, and French Indians, as the remnant of our River clans was called, rendered it certain that the frontier settlements in Hampshire County would suffer.

As before related, Northfield had been in charge of a small garrison, almost ever since the resettlement. But in view of the dangers from the threatening attitude of the Indians, the inhabitants, in the month of June, 1722, sent a petition to the General court, asking to be put in a posture of defence; and July 6, the Court *ordered*, That the soldiers at Northfield be directed to garrison one or more suitable houses for their security; and the inhabitants are recommended to assist the soldiers with their teams.

The soldiers at Northfield, referred to in the Court's order, was a Co. of 10 men under command of Lt. Joseph Kellogg, in service here from May 31 to July 24. As soon as the first crop of hay was secured, a stockade of some pretensions was begun, on the premises of Stephen Belding, (the site of the old Clary fort), and another around Ensign Zechariah Field's house. And near the same time, a full company of men was raised and put under command of Capt. Samuel Barnard of Deerfield, for the defence of that town and Northfield. They were in service from July 24 to Nov. 20. Lieut. Kellogg was second in command, and was stationed at Northfield with 20 men. Capt. Samuel Partridge raised a company, for the protection of Hatfield and vicinity. In Capt. Barnard's Muster Roll, are the following names: Jonathan Hunt, clerk, Sergt. Joseph Clesson, Sergt. John Pomroy, Josiah King, Josiah Stebbins, James Porter, Benoni Wright, Orlando Bridgman, Eben'r Miller, William Clarke, Samuel Wright, Thomas Alexander, John Miller, Joseph Stebbins, Benj. Wait, Samuel Lancton, all accredited to Northampton; Japhet Chapin, Eben'r Webb, Caleb Chapin, of Springfield; John Sergeant, of Worcester; John Brooks, Asahel Stebbins, of Deerfield; John Brown, Nathaniel Prior, Enoch Hall, Joshua Gerry, of Enfield. In Capt. Partridge's Co. in service from Aug. 18, to Nov. 26, were, Corp. Eleazar Warner, Corp. William Sims, Wm. Sanderson, Richard Burt Sen. and Jun., *unsettled;* Abraham Elgar, of Enfield; Ebenezer Petty, Josiah Miller, David Burt, of Springfield; Cyprian Wright of Rutland. Many of these names will often appear, in connection with our annals.

When the war opened, Col. Samuel Partridge of Hatfield, 78 years old, had the chief command in Hampshire Co., and next to him was Lt. Col. John Stoddard of Northampton.

1723. Early in the winter, Lieut. Kellogg writes to the governor — "The forts at Northfield are in a mean condition, and the people are neither willing nor able to make them good and defensible; and I am apprehensive that the inhabitants will leave the place unless they are allowed more men and better defenses." Governor Dummer wrote to the authorities in Hampshire Co. urging that the people of Northfield should be encouraged to repair the forts, and promised his influence with the legislature, to secure them a reasonable recompense. But the matter moved slowly. The repayment of expenses and the allowance of just charges by the General court, were very uncertain. Besides, it is to be considered, that Northfield was at this date in a transition state — the Committee that had so long managed their affairs being about to retire, and the people to assume the full control of civil and military matters. The old order of things was not quite wound up; and the new order was not well established. But, through the influence of Cols. Partridge and Stoddard, some further repairs and additions were made to the forts; so that Col. P. writing May 14, could say. "The River is pretty well secured by the forts and men at Northfield and Deerfield; but, he adds in the same letter, the towns cant stand the strain upon them, to watch, and ward, and fort, and scout, *without pay*, while their spring work is pressing to be done; they cant get a living."

Civil Affairs.

Number of polls taxed, 1723,	39
Number of non-reſidents and women taxed,	18
Tax on the poll,	14ſ 6 *d*
Tax on the pound valuation,	8½*d*
Total tax levied,	£1608 15 0

The Town Incorporated.

"At a General Aſſembly for the Province of the Maſſachuſetts Bay held at Boſton the 29th of May, 1723

A Petition of the Proprietors and Inhabitants of Northfield, ſhewing that they have been under the management of a Committee appointed by the General Court, for ſeveral years — that many of the ſaid Committee live at thirty miles diſtance from the ſaid Town, which brings a great difficulty and inconvenience upon the affairs of the ſaid Town — and that the number of Inhabitants is ſo far increaſed that they judge themſelves capable of managing the prudential affairs of the ſaid place — And therefore praying that they may enjoy all the privileges and immunities of a Town as others do:

In the Houſe of Repreſentatives, Read and Ordered

That the Town of Northfield be and hereby is authorized and impowered to have uſe exerciſe and enjoy, all ſuch powers privileges and immunities which other Towns have uſe exerciſe and enjoy. And that Capt Benjamin Wright and Lieut. Eliezur Wright, two of the principal Inhabitants of the ſaid Town, are hereby directed and impowered to notify and ſummon the Inhabitants duly qualified for voting, to aſſemble and meet together for the chuſing of Town officers to ſtand until the annual election according to law.

In Council,

Read and Concurred.

Conſented to

Saturday June 15, 1723. Wm. Dummer.

Thus the Plantation was incorporated into a Town, just 50 years after its first settlement. At a town meeting, held July 22, officers were chosen as follows: Joseph Petty, moderator; Eleazar Holton, town clerk; Zechariah Field, Benoni Moore, Joseph Petty, selectmen; Ebenezer Field, constable; Benoni Moore, Nathaniel Mattoon. Theophilus Merriman, Stephen Crowfoot, Ebenezer Severance, Ebenezer

Field, fence viewers; Eleazar Mattoon, Thomas Holton, surveyors; Daniel Wright, Eldad Wright, haywards; Benjamin Janes, tythingman.

The Indians that had settled on the St. Francis river, and at Beçancourt, were situated convenient to make incursions on either the eastern or northern frontiers; and the Cagnowagas and other clans dwelling near the northerly end of Lake Champlain, were nearer the Hampshire Co. settlements. Gov. Vaudreuil was early in sending emissaries and presents to these last named tribes, and inciting them to acts of hostility against the English. He supplied them liberally with guns and ammunition; and induced a large war party — the Indian account says 300 — to set out early in the summer, to watch and annoy the exposed points, and report to him all important movements.

GRAY LOCK.— The Indian chief, most prominent in the exploits of this war, on our borders, and the leader in some daring and successful expeditions, was *Gray Lock*, so called from the color of his hair. He was a chieftain of the Waranokes, who lived, previous to King Philip's war, on the Westfield river, and removed thence to the Mohawk country. He was now well advanced in age; but retained all the daring, and tact, and energy of his youth. He was well known to the people of the river towns; and seems to have been capable of inspiring regard by his friendly offices and shrewdness in time of peace, as well as awakening dread by his craft and cruelty in time of war. He said that he in one instance lurked for a whole summer in an out of the way place in Westfield, to get a chance to make captives of a family of the name of Bentley. He also watched a family of the name of Noble, who lived out of the village, stating afterwards that he had several chances of killing most of the children at a shot, but he did not then want scalps but captives.

At the time of Queen Anne's war, he was living near Mount Royal, and was known as a French Indian that headed small parties fitted out to prey upon the exposed towns on the Connecticut river. In 1723, Gray Lock was living on the shore of Missisquoi bay, at the northerly end of Lake Champlain. He had built a fort on a small creek, and collected a considerable band of followers. Some rich meadows here afforded the squaws a chance to plant large fields of corn. His method was, to go forth with a force of trusty savages, larger or smaller according to circumstances, build a camp at some convenient and secluded point near the towns, and keep out spies and scouts in small parties, who were ready to take scalps or captives, and hurry away for Canada. Col. Partridge writes — "This enemy can and sometimes do lie in wait two months about a town, before they kill or take, as some of them have acknowledged."

In the early spring of this year, Gov. Dummer, in conjunction with the military commanders of Hampshire Co., took much pains, through the agency of Col. Schuyler and the other commissioners at Albany, to conciliate Gray Lock, and some of the other chiefs living near the lake. Belts and other presents were sent: but somehow, it always happened that he was never found at home by the messengers. (He had already accepted a more valuable belt.)

During the late spring and early summer months, his whereabouts was not known. Lt. Kellogg, with his 20 soldiers, was doing efficient guard duty, and almost daily sending out his scouts, and our people were feeling entirely secure. August 13, while the men were scattered in their grain-fields, Gray Lock with a party of 4 Indians, waylaid and killed two of our leading citizens, viz. Thomas Holton, aged 42, and Theophilus Merriman, aged 31. The circumstances of the killing were not recorded, and cannot now be ascertained. Taking the scalps, the Indians pressed on to Rutland, where, the next day, they attacked Dea. Joseph Stevens and four of his sons as they were making hay in a meadow. The father escaped to the bushes: two of the boys, Joseph and Samuel were killed; and two, Phinehas and Isaac were made prisoners. Soon after, meeting on the road the minister, Rev. Joseph Willard, they killed and scalped him, took his clothes, and with the two captives started for Canada. Phinehas was soon redeemed, and became the distinguished Captain, and hero of No. 4, in the next war. Isaac was given to the Cagnowagas, and was regained with some difficulty. The redemption money was raised in part by contributions in different towns. The family had been resident in Framingham; and a collection was taken up in the meeting house there, April 19, 1724, amounting to £15 5.

News of the raids at Northfield and Rutland reached Boston, August 16. And on the 17th, Gov. Dummer issues orders to Col. Partridge to impress 18 able bodied men, well armed, to be employed as scouts, 5 each at Northfield and Brookfield, and 4 each at Deerfield and Sunderland, to be kept constantly ranging the woods about these several towns.

At this time Hampshire Co. had two companies of cavalry, one under the command of Capt. Adijah Dewey of Westfield, the other under Capt. Henry Dwight of Hatfield. Aug. 30, an order was despatched to Capt. Dewey to "rally up his troopers and march to the upper towns, scouting and repairing to the places of most danger, for the space of 14 days; then Capt. Dwight with his Company was to take his place [illegible] the same term of time; and so they were to alternate for a campaign of 8 weeks." And this significant condition is appended to the order—

"You are to provide for yourselves arms, ammunition and provisions, all which are to be paid for by the public." The want of military stores and a commissary department, was a serious drawback in this and the succeeding war. Companies and drafted men had to provide ammunition, clothing and provisions, after being mustered; and thus time enough was consumed to enable the active enemy to make good his retreat, before his pursuers were ready to march.

Capt. Dewey's troop took the field Sept. 3. The captain's pay was 35 shillings per week; private's 10 shillings. Rations were rated at 5*s.* per week, and 1 gill of rum per day when the men were "improved in scouting the woods and lying out a nights." Three shillings six pence a week was allowed for a horse, and the same for a horse's feed. In Capt. Dewey's Company were Medad Pomeroy, Samuel Smith, John Evens, Samuel Root, John Root, and John Coombs for pilot.

After the affair at Rutland, Gray Lock and his party made a quick retreat to his fort. His success, in scalps and prisoners, gave him fresh eclat, and by giving the younger of the Stevens boys to the Cagnowagas as a present, he bound that tribe fast to his interest. On the first of September he was ready to start on a new expedition, at the head of 50 Indians, composed of his own clan and Cagnowagas. Gov. Vaudreuil furnished them with 10 guns and plenty of ammunition. Col. Schuyler at Albany got news of the movement, and promptly notified the Massachusetts government. Sept. 13, the governor issued orders to the troops then in service in the valley, "to be on the alert not to be surprised by ambushes, and use y^r best endeavors to surprise the enemy, and when you shall find their tracks you are to pursue them ten days at the least, unless you shall come up with them sooner." But the savages knew the mountain paths and hiding places better than the soldiers; and long and careful observation had made them perfectly familiar with the habits of families and working parties, and the situation of all out-fields and exposed points.

October 9, taking advantage of a remissness in military vigilance, and the carelessness of a party of farmers who were at work at corn harvest, the Indians made a sudden onset at Northfield, and killed Eben^r Severance; wounded Hezekiah Stratton and Enoch Hall; and took Samuel Dickinson prisoner. It will be remembered that Dickinson was taken captive at Hatfield in 1698, when 11 years old, and rescued from the Indians near Pomeroy's island. [See *ante*, p. 126.]

Oct. 11, Col. Partridge orders Capt. Dewey to forthwith move his troop to Deerfield, and send half the officers and men to Northfield, " to improve y^{e} time in scouting, and guarding y^{e} people to get in the remainder of y^{e} harvest, and to take some of y^{e} people and scout to the north and west in the woods." And on special request being sent to Hartford, by the Massachusetts authorities, a company of Connecticut troops was sent up to Northfield, who were in service here for a few weeks.

As our town seemed singled out for destruction, the governor and council judged it necessary to give the inhabitants more efficient protection; and November 9, sent a captain's commission to Lieut. Kellogg, with orders to raise a company, of which 40 men were to be stationed at Northfield, and the rest to be kept constantly on the alert, and either in force or by squads, to scout on the river in places most likely for the discovery of the enemy's motions, and thus protect and secure the inhabitants of Northfield, Deerfield and Sunderland.

Muſter Roll of Capt. Joſeph Kellogg's Co.

Nov. 20, 1723 to May 30, 1724.

Capt. Joſeph Kellogg, Suff.
Lt. Timothy Dwight, Nhn.
Lt. John Pomeroy, "
Clerk, Joſiah King, "
Sergt. Eliſha Searl, "
" Joſiah Stebbins, "
" Waitſtill Strong, "
" Robert Cooper, Nfd.
Corp. Japhet Chapin, Spg.
" Benoni Wright, Nfd.
" James Stevenſon, Suff.
" John Sergeant, Worc.
Daniel Shattuck, "
John Brown, Enfd.
Enoch Hall, "
Samuel Vining, "
Chriſtopher Sitton, Enfd.
James Porter, Nhn.
Orlando Bridgman, "
Aſahel Stebbins, "
Thomas Sargent, "
John King, "
Shem Japhet, Spg.
Benj. Bodurtha, "
Abraham Elgar, "

George Bates, Had.
Joſeph Merchant, "
Samuel Kellogg, "
Hezekiah Stratton, Nfd.
Benjamin Miller, "
Jonathan Janes, "
Eleazar Mattoon, "
Daniel Wright, "
Jonathan Belding, "
Daniel Severance, "
Stephen Belding, "
Hezekiah Elmer, "
Edmund Grandee, "
Eldad Wright, "
Nathaniel Hawks, Dfd.
George Swan, "
Nathaniel Brooks, "
Joſhua Wells, "
John Allen, "
James Corſe, "
Anthony Wireſbury, Hat.
Joſeph Billing, "
Joſeph Burt, "
Ebenezer Williams, "
Stephen Winchell, Wind.

Joſeph Morgan,	Spg.
Jona. Warriner,	“
Abraham Burnet,	“
Benj. Brooks,	“
Samuel Bodurtha,	“
Joſiah Stebbins,	“
Benjamin Mun,	“
David King,	Wfd.
John Beamon,	“
Jacob Wheeler,	“
David Sackett,	“
Caleb Winchell,	Wind.
Joſeph Allen,	Suff.
Nathaniel Auſten,	“
David Smith,	“
Ebenezer Smith,	“
William Hunter,	Long Is.
John Ellis,	Narrag.
John Aſhman,	Farm.
John Holmes,	Old Eng.
Benj. Kimball,	Ips.

Albany, Nov. 28, 1723.

To Col. Partridge:

I have yours of the 19th. The two Indians y^{t} have been with the belt of wampum to Cagnowaga are come back again. They found the Cagnowaga Indians were gone to y^{r} parts: but y^{r} Sachems ſaid they went againſt their will; their young people were deluded. * * Three Cagnowagas who have been at Northfield arrived here yeſterday. Saguenognas and Cahowaſco two chief captains, and his brother-in-law. They tell me they had no deſign to do any harm: but Gov. Vaudreuil perſuaded them, and gave them powder and ſhot and ten guns; but they are very ſorry and aſhamed that they have gone, and ſay they will never go again. All the Indians who have been out, upwards of 300, are come back again, except 5 eaſtern Indians, who returned back to your frontiers. I hope they may do no harm.

John Schuyler.

These repeated incursions of the savages, with impunity, aroused the spirit of the old scout, Capt. Benjamin Wright, and Dec. 5, he wrote this characteristic letter to Gov. Dummer:

Hon^{d} Sir: After my moſt humble duty preſented, theſe are humbly to requeſt y^{r} Honor to grant me the liberty of commanding five and thirty or 40 men to go on the back of this army which came to Northfield as far as Otter Creek, and thence round to White river, and ſo home by Conn. river. This I humbly judge to be very ſerviceable to this part of the country, and probably might be the means of deſtroying ſome of the enemy: And if y^{r} Honor ſee meet to give me orders, we think it a piece of good ſervice to march the road which the enemy went, as far as Otter Creek. We are deſirous we might go upon the wages the Province allows and the encouragement they give to ſuch for ſcalps. We would find ourſelves and be allowed for it by the Government. The whole I humbly ſubmit to y^{r} Honor's wiſdom to direct; and if y^{r} Honor dont ſee meet to ſend me, I humbly requeſt that ſome more ſuitable perſon might, that ſo our enemy might be diſcouraged and the country defended.

Northfield Dec. 5, 1723. Benj'n Wright.

The matter was referred to a committee of the legislature, John Stoddard chairman, who reported, "that an expedition to St. Francis, the head quarters of the Indians, would be of great service, and may if prospered put an end to the present war: 400 able bodied men, English and Indians might be thought sufficient. A smaller party to the heads of the rivers may be of service to destroy some small hunting parties of the enemy. But if on account of winter being so far advanced, it be not advisable to make either of the above named marches, then a party of 30 or 40 to Otter Creek might do good, provided some western Indians go with them."

There appears to have been so many *ifs* in the way, that Capt. Wright's plan was frustrated.

FORT DUMMER.—A movement of the utmost importance to the safety of the frontiers, was projected at this date, and carried out in the next few months. The following documents give the particulars.

Dec. 27, 1723. In the House of Representatives, *voted*, That it will be of great service to all the western frontiers both in this and the neighboring government of Connecticut, to build a Block-house, above Northfield, in the most convenient place on the lands called the Equivalent Land, and to post in it 40 able men, English and western Indians, to be employed in scouting at a good distance up Connecticut river, West river, Otter Creek, and sometimes eastwardly above Great Monadnock, for the discovery of the enemy coming towards any of the frontier towns; and that so much of the said Equivalent Lands as shall be necessary for a Block-house be taken up, with the consent of the owners of the said lands, together with 5 or 6 acres of their interval land, to be broke up or plowed for the present use of the western Indians, in case any of them shall think fit to bring their families thither."

The duty of selecting the site, and superintending the erection of the fort, was committed by Gov. Dummer to Lt. Col. John Stoddard; who writes,

Northampton Feb. 3, 1724.

Sir: I rec^{d} yours of Jan. 8, and 21, and have engaged divers perſons to make ſnow-ſhoes. Some of the moginſons are already made and ſent to Northfield. * * I have committed the work about the Block-houſe to Lieut. Timothy Dwight. Mr. Dwight will go this day to the place with 4 carpenters, 12 ſoldiers with narrow axes and 2 teams. I ſuppoſe they will hew all the timber b[illegible]h for the fort and houſing before they return. I hope the fort and houſes will be framed and ſet up this month. Capt. Kellogg's 10 ſupernumerary men are turned over to the other company, and two more added which makes the number Col. Partridge was ordered to raiſe; and orders are given for the exchange of a few of Kellogg's moſt inefficient men for ſuch inhabitants as are driven from their lands.

As for Col. Buckminſter's men, we hear nothing of them. [Col. Joſeph Buckminſter of Framingham was ordered to impreſs men for ſervice at the new fort.] I have talked with Capt. Kellogg about a Lieut. for him; he ſeems to think well of Joſeph Cleſſon. Mr. Dwight needs a ſecond in command; names Eliſha Searle now a ſerg^{t}. under Capt. Kellogg. He was long a captive in Canada. Mr. Dwight wants a chaplain at his fort.

P. S. I forgot to notice your ſuggeſtion about ſetting ſtockadoes around the Block-houſe. I dont ſee the benefit of it, as we intend to make the fort ſo ſtrong that the ſoldiers will be ſafe, even if the enemy get within the parade ground.

To Lt. Gov. Dummer. John Stoddard.

In another letter, of later date, Col. Stoddard writes:

"We agreed with carpenters from Northfield [Stephen Crowfoot, Daniel Wright and 2 others] for 5 ſhillings per day, except Crowfoot, to whom I promiſed 6 ſhillings, and they all allow that he earned his money by doing ſo much more work than the others. The ſoldiers had a very hard ſervice, lying in the woods, and were obliged to work early and late: it is thought they deſerve 2 ſhillings per day beſides the ſtated pay, and the carpenters ſomething more. The horſes were worked very hard, and commonly had nothing to eat but oats, and I believe 2 ſhillings a day will not be thought an exceſs for ſuch ſervice."

The fort was built of yellow pine timber, which was then abundant on the meadow lands. It was nearly square, each side measuring about 180 feet. It was laid up in the fashion of a log house, the timbers being locked together at the angles. A row of houses was built against the wall round on the inside, with a single roof, and fronting on the hollow square, which served as a parade ground. The cost of the structure was £256. The fort stood on the west bank of the Connecticut river, just within the southerly limits of the present town of Brattleboro, Vt.; and was named Fort Dummer, in honor of the then acting governor of Massachusetts.

As soon as the Block-house was well under way, Capt. Joseph Kellogg was sent to Albany to make efforts to induce the Maquas to enlist as soldiers for its defence. He spent much time and money, as did other commissioners later; but to little purpose. Some Indians came on and staid a few months; but when the real danger of the post became apparent, they left. They were ready enough to return, *after the war was over*, and stay *till another war threatened*. The truth afterwards come out, viz. that early in 1723, Gov. Vaudreuil had sent a belt of friendship to the Maquas, which they had accepted.

When finished, the command of the fort was given to Capt. Timothy Dwight, who held it with a Co. of 55 men. He continued in charge here till the close of the war, when he was succeeded by Capt. Joseph Kellogg, who retained the command till 1740.

Muſter Roll of Capt. Timothy Dwight's Co. at the Block-houſe above Northfield. Feb. 1, *to May* 31, 1724.

Capt. Timothy Dwight, Nhn.
Lt. Eliſha Searl, "
Sergt. John McRanney, Spg.
" John Burk, Hat.
" Robert Cooper, Nfd.
Corp. William Syms, "
Jacob Wheeler, Kind'k.
Jona. Stanhope, Sud.
James Hayes, Stow.
Jona. Janes, Nfd.
Nathaniel Mattoon, "
John Brooks, Wind.
David Clark, "
John Thrall, "
Thomas Wooleſt, "
Stephen Winchell, "
Jona. Warriner, Spg.
Samuel Burr, Hartd.
Thomas Butler, Marlb.
Robert Hunt, "
Wm. Hunnibuſs, Conc.
Jeremiah Wedge, Fram.
Uriah Clark, "
Dan^{l} Dickinſon, Stratd.
John King, Suff.
Dan^{l} Severance, Dfd.
Joſeph Allen, "
Hendrick, Maqua Sachem.

Chriſtopher Sitton, Enfd.
John Peaſe, "
Jonathan Peaſe, "
Elijah Gillett, "
George Swan, England
Anthony Wierſbury, Germany
John Ellis, R. I.
John Bement, Weſt'd.
Joſeph Gillett, Lebanon
Michael Fokt, Simſbury
Caleb Chapin, Spg.
Abraham Burnet, "
John Froſt "
Pelatiah Jones, "
Robert Carter, "
John Crawford, "
Ezerus, Maqua Sachem.
Kewahcum, Weſtonhook,
Coſaumpt, Wittaug,
Ampaumet, Sachem, Hudſon's river.
Wattunkameag, "
Pomagun, "
Watunnoowoozeet, "
Taukaquint, "
Noonoowannet, "
Poopoonuck, "
Suckkeecoo, Schaticook

THE TOWN FORTS REBUILT.—Capt. Kellogg writes, Jan. 10, 1724, to Gov. Dummer: "I have 50 men committed to my care by Col. Partridge, 40 of whom are at Northfield with me, and 10 at Deerfield. These men I have with the utmost care kept at watching, warding and scouting. * * I would repeat my former request to y^{r} Honor, with respect to our forts, y^{t} some care might be taken y^{t} they might be made better, for they are exceeding mean."

The governor immediately directs Col. Stoddard "to review the forts at Northfield, and advise and encourage the inhabitants to repair them." Between this and the 5th. of March, Stephen Belding's premises were surrounded with strong pickets, and a heavily timbered *mount* built; a line of pickets was set around parson Doolittle's buildings: and the Zechariah Field fort and mount were finished.

Jona. Belding's Account of work done at the North Fort.

Myſelf and team, 1 day; and ſelf and 3 cattle to cart, 1 day	£0	11	0
Five day's work of ſelf and ſerg^{t} Moor	0	12	6
Self and team to cart mount timber 1 day; and ſelf one day's work at the mount	0	7	0
To 1063 feet of boards at 2s. 6d.	1	7	0
To all the rails for the fort,	0	10	0
To 2 hundred and a half of teny peny nails			
Nathaniel Mattoons boards, 863 feet, and one day to cart poſts, and 2 horſes 1 day			
Jona. Janes boards, 400 feet, and 42 feet of plank			
Dea. E. Mattoon, 4 day's work at the fort, and 320 feet of boards, and 1 day's work with his oxen, 1 day's work at the mount, 1 day's work with his oxen to fetch in mount timber, and 1 day's warding for a soldier which did work at the mount			
Dekon Janes boards, 600 feet; one day's work carting poſts and 4 day's work at the mount			
Joſeph Petty, 6 day's work at the fort..	0	15	0
and 292 feet of boards	0	7	0

The Account of the materials and work at the Field fort has not been found. The cost of cutting and setting up the pickets around Mr. Doolittle's premises, was £4 13 3.

The *mounts* were square towers, from 14 to 20 feet high, according to the ground; were made of heavy timbers, framed, and boarded up, with the upper story or deck planked, and fitted up for a sentry.

Col. Stoddard writes, March 27, 1724: "Capt. Kellogg is returned, and I suppose hath given you an account of his affairs. He tells me that he expected 4 or 5 Scautacook Indians to have been at Deerfield some days since, which I hear nothing of, and am prone to think that the Dutch have dissuaded them. It seems probable that the western Indians will not answer our expectations in assisting at the Block-house; and inasmuch as our dependence is greatly on the scouts to be sent from there, which cannot be well managed without the number of men allowed, it seems necessary that the complement be made of English for the present; and in case the Indians do not within a little time join us, undoubtedly it will be best that a number of good dogs be provided, which I hope may near as well answer our designs; for I think it considerably probable that by means of some of our friend Indians they may be so instructed as that they will pursue an enemy, and in case they should kill one Indian, it will more effectually prevent their coming than the killing many in any other way: And although the Five Nations will not approve such a method, yet they must be silent, inasmuch as their neglect hath obliged us to that method. The people of Deerfield grow uneasy (now the spring comes on) at their having but 10 men; and those of Northfield say that it will be in vain for them to pretend to manage any business in case their number of soldiers be not augmented. And I am fully of their opinion; and if orders be not speedily given, recruits will not be had seasonably. If we are thorough in our endeavors for the preservation of those in the frontiers, that will greatly quiet the spirits of people, and I hope be the means of the preservation of some lives; and probably the charge will not long continue, for I think there is a general disposition in the French, Dutch and Indians, that the present difference between us and the Eastern Indians should be accommodated."

April 6, intelligence was received that Gray Lock had enticed away several of the Scaticooks, that had lived and hunted in the valley, and were so well acquainted with the situation of the meadows and cornfields, that they would be able to take great advantage against our people.

Col. Partridge, by order of the governor, impressed 30 men, 15 each for Deerfield and Northfield. This made 45 men at Northfield under Capt Kellogg, for manning the forts, watching, warding, and guarding the men at work in the fields. The names are nearly the same as were on the last year's roll.

On or about the 11th of June, Gray Lock, with a party of 11 of his own men set out from his fort for the frontiers. Another war party consisting of 30 Abenakis started immediately after; and within a few days still another party of 40 Indians sung the war song, and made preparation to start on a raiding expedition. Col. Partridge got information of Gray Lock's movement on the 13th at 10 o'clock at night, by express from Albany, and on the 15th wrote the governor: "we have no soldiers but those belonging to the towns, and all of these are out upon their occasions to get their bread, and that with the peril of their lives, or beg their bread in a little time, but where I know not, if it comes to that — our dependencies are upon tilling the ground."

June 18,— about the time the governor would get the Colonel's letter — Gray Lock and his Indians fell upon a party of men who were loading hay in a meadow 3 miles north of Hatfield street, killed Benj. Smith, and took Aaron Wells and Joseph Allis. They also killed the oxen attached to the cart. Allis was killed the next day. A scout of 17 men was immediately organized at Hatfield, and went up as far as Otter Creek.[1] But Gray Lock had retired a short distance to the west, and spent the summer in watching the settlements on that side of the river, at different times killing men at Deerfield, Northampton and Westfield.

About the 23d of June, the party of 40 Indians came down on the east side of the river towards Northfield. Two days after, Lieut. John Pomeroy in command of a scout of Capt. Kellogg's men, discovered on the north of the Ashuelot the tracks of these Indians. They found some sticks broke off, and some bushes bent down, as if they were intended for a guide to others that should follow. They judge the signs to be very new, as the sticks were not dry, and the leaves hardly wilted. This party turned off to the eastward, and built a camp on Miller's river, to the south of Monadnock, where they spent a considerable part of the summer. A scouting party, passing the spot the next year, found "sixteen of their spits on which they roast their meat: also a canoe and paddle, and some squash shells." [2]

In this emergency Gov. Dummer appealed to the Connecticut authorities, and Gov. Saltonstall sent up Capt. Goodrich with 75 men, and Capt. Walter Butler with 30 men, and a company of 42 Mohegan

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[1] This scout had a peculiarly trying service, as appears from the following letter of Dr. Thomas Hastings of Hatfield. "Being desired by Serg^t Clesson and Serg^t Wait to inform what I know of their expedition in June last, to Otter Creek — the expedition being suddenly formed suitable necessaries was wanting for such a long and hard journey; saw most of ye men when they went forth, they were lusty and in good plight, effective men: saw them when they returned, and they were much emaciated, and their feet so swelled and galled that they could scarce travel on their feet — for some they were necessitated to hire horses: Some one or more applied to me to dress their feet and were under my care for a week or more, in bathing and emplastering before they were anything tolerably recruited. In fine. they underwent much, and I believe were hearty in their desires and faithful in their endeavors to overtake the enemy and make reprisals. It's a pity such men undertaking such difficulties for y^e country's cause should fail of a suitable reward."—*Mass. Archives*, LII, 193

[2] *Mass. Archives*, XXXVIII, A., p. 110.

Indians, to assist in scouting.[1] Capt. G. and the Mohegans staid but a short time: Capt. Butler remained till October. The two companies of whites had head quarters at Northfield, and were billeted on the families.

In a letter to Gov. Dummer, dated July 14, Col. Partridge writes: "We are confident the enemy is lurking about, waiting to shed blood so that we being in the midst of our harvest are forced to go thirty or forty men in a day with their arms, and with a guard to accompany and work together."

The vigilance of Capt. Dwight at Fort Dummer; the activity and tact of Capt. Kellogg, and the presence of the Connecticut troops preserved Northfield from attack, through the summer months. And though laboring at great disadvantage, a fair amount of ground was put in tillage, and a heavy crop of corn made.

The employment of Indian scouts was attended with some peculiar difficulties. It was not easy for our men to distinguish between friend and foe when they met them; and no foresight could prevent serious mistakes. When the Scaticook Indians came to the valley on their hunting excursions, it was customary for them to adopt some signal — as the wearing of a green bough on the head — and inform the commanding officers of the towns what it was, who would give the necessary instructions to their men. July 27, Col. Partridge was notified that 30 Pequods are on the road from Connecticut whom he is to forward to Col. Tyng at Dunstable. "They must have some signal, which must also be known to our people, to prevent any evil that might otherwise happen." Referring to the difficulty in the case, Col. P. writes, "I have always directed all parties scouting from our parts of Hampshire Co. to observe your directions: but shall find it impracticable for them to be always safe. They may hide and seek as the Indians do, and your Indians will not always have the green bough upon their heads, sleeping as well as waking; and the sign may be stolen and used by the enemy as a decoy, and thus our men deceived to their hurt."

Death of Father Ralle.— An expedition against Norridgewock, the head-quarters of Ralle, was fitted out, about the middle of August. Captains Moulton, Harmon, Bourn and Bane, with 208 men, ascended the river Kennebec, reached N. on the 23d, took the Indian village by surprise, and killed a large number, among whom was Father Ralle. "He was slain in fight making actual resistance to the forces, and attempting to kill an English captive in his hands, and refusing to give or take quarter."[1]

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LII, 10.

After the drawing off of the Connecticut men, Col. Stoddard added 6 men to Capt. Kellogg's Co. at Northfield, "to improve them in guarding our people in their distant fields, otherwise several people would have lost most of their corn and other fruits."

Oct. 7. Capt. Kellogg writes: "Lt. Pomeroy is with me at Northfield. * * 'Tis difficult keeping a scout out constantly by reason of guarding y^e^ people who are now busy getting in y^e^ harvest. I have a scout out now, ordered to go above 40 miles up y^e^ Great River, and from there to the eastward to Great Monadnock."

"Oct. 10, 1724.

"The Gov^r^. of Canada having, as he has threatened, drawn many remote nations, viz. the Hurons and others with whom we have never had the leaſt concern into a confederaey with the eaſtern Indians, * * Our weſtern frontiers have been more annoyed this laſt ſummer than the eaſtern. Almoſt every town in the Co. of Hampſhire and half in Middleſex being driven into garriſons, and much diſtreſſed by this new enemy; and although we have had great advantages over y^e^ eaſtern Indians by ſuch a ſlaughter of them at Norridgewock as has not been known in any of y^e^ late wars, yet by this junction of the weſtern tribes the enemy is become more formidable than before. And the ſervice in the war, and the charges for the ſupport of it are ſo heavy as to greatly impoveriſh the whole Province, and drive away many of our inhabitants to the neighboring Colonies, all which, (Conn. and N. H. excepted,) being in perfect peace and proſperity themſelves ſit ſtill and ſee us languiſhing under all the calamities of war without affordirg us the ſuccor of either men or money."[2]

"Northampton, Oct. 12, 1724.

"I received the encloſed letters by an expreſs laſt Wedneſday; Our people are pretty much alarmed therewith: I am ready to imagine that it is Cattanawlet's ſon who is couſin to Gray Lock, that hath either made or aggravated the ſtory of the tracks to affright the Indians and prevent their bringing in the letter, preſuming it was on account of Gray Lock's being out: but I dare not mention ſuch a thing to our people leſt it ſhould make them too ſecure. This Cattanawlet is a French Indian, and was in Deerfield meadow when our people were wounded: from there he ran over to Scautacook, there married a ſquaw, and is ſuffered to dwell there."

To Gov. Dummer. JOHN STODDARD.

Gray Lock returned to Missisquoi early in November. And about the same time Col. Partridge writes: "I think there will be no danger of attacks from the enemy till the latter end of Jan. or Feb. when they can come on snow-shoes." To meet such an emergency, the governor ordered companies of snow-shoe men to be organized in every town. Northfield had a Company of 24 men, each of whom had to provide himself snow-shoes and moccasins, for which the government allowed 10 shillings.

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LII, 317.

[2] *Mass. Archives*, LII, 58, Letter to Mass. agents in London.

Nov. 30. Capt. Kellogg being relieved from the duty of guarding the farmers, commenced sending out scouting parties to the northward. In his Journal he says:

> "The firſt ſcout on Nov. 30, 1724, went up on y^e weſt ſide of Conn. River, and croſſing y^e Weſt river went up to y^e Great Falls, and returned, making no diſcovery of any enemy." "The ſecond ſcout went up to Weſt river, and followed up ſ^d river 6 miles, and then croſſed the woods to y^e Great Falls, and returned, ſeeing no new ſigns of y^e enemy." "The third ſcout went weſt from Northfield about 12 miles, then northward croſſing Weſt river, and ſteering eaſt came to the canoe place about 16 or 17 miles above Northfield." "The fourth ſtruck out north-weſt about 6 miles, then north acroſs Weſt river and ſo to the Great Meadow, below y^e Great Falls, then croſſed the Conn. river and came down on the eaſt ſide. This meadow is about 32 miles from Northfield." "The fifth, the men were ſent up Weſt river Mountain there to lodge on the top and view morning and evening for ſmoaks, and from there up to y^e Mountain at y^e Great Falls, and there also to lodge on y^e top, and view morning and evening for ſmoaks." "The ſixth went up to Weſt river, which they followed 5 miles, then north till they come upon Sexton's river ſix miles from the mouth of it, which empties itſelf at y^e foot of y^e Great Falls, and then they came down to the mouth of it, and ſo returned." "In addition, we watch and ward 3 forts at Northfield continually, beſides what thoſe 10 men do at Deerfield, and y^e people are uneaſy that we have no more men to keep y^e forts than we have."[1]

This Journal, kept with soldier-like precision, reads like the most ordinary matter of fact affair, deserving no special attention and no commendation, except as evidence of a faithful discharge of duty. But the labors it recorded, and the daring and endurance of these handfuls of men, thus striking off into the wild forest in the winter, fording bridgeless streams, and climbing mountains slippery with ice and blocked up with snow, watching for the curling smokes from the red man's camp-fire and listening for the report of his gun, were a most exciting romance, if they had not been a terrible reality. By such vigilance, and fidelity, and wear of soul and body, was our village protected, and our valley kept clean of blood.

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, XXXVIII, A. 70.

The names of the men who performed this service are worthy of record in the Northfield annals, and are as follows :

Capt. Jos. Kellogg
Lt. John Pomeroy
Serg^{t}. Joſiah Stebbins
" Waitſtill Strong
Corp. Japhet Chapin
" James Stevenſon
Benoni Wright
Benj. Brooks
Joſhua Wells
James Corſe
Eldad Wright
David Smith
Ebenezer Smith

John King
Ebenezer Williams
Samuel Bodurtha
David King
Orlando Bridgman
Samuel Vining
Shem Chapin
Joſeph Burt
Abraham Elgar
Stephen Belding
Jona. Belding
Hezekiah Stratton
Nathaniel Hawks

Jona. Warriner
Joſeph Merchant
John Sergeant
Thomas Sargent
Benj. Bodurtha
James Porter
Eleazar Mattoon
Edmund Grandee
Hezekiah Elmer
Aſahel Stebbins
Benjamin Miller
Daniel Shattuck
Enoch Hall

1725. Some one, probably Capt. Benj. Wright, proposed at this date (Jan. 1725) to organize a large scout and go directly to Gray Lock's fort, and attempt to destroy him and his clan outright. But Col. Stoddard objected. Commissioners had been sent by Massachusetts and New Hampshire to Gov. Vaudreuil to try diplomacy with the French authorities: and the Colonel was afraid that such an expedition would prejudice their work. He writes, Feb. 3 :

> "I retain my former opinion, if our people had gone to Gray Lock's ſort (which lyeth upon a ſmall river that emptieth itſelf into the Lake near the further end of it) and had made ſpoil upon the Indians, thoſe that eſcaped would in their rage meditate revenge upon our commiſſioners, either in going to or returning from Canada. But an expedition thither in the ſpring about the time of their planting corn, may not be attended with the like inconvenience : Altho' I think that ordinarily we are in leſs danger in the winter and more likely to be ſucceſſful, yet it ſeems at preſent that a long march will be impracticable, becauſe that the ſeaſon (of late) hath been ſo moderate that ſome of the rivers are open and ſome are frozen, that travelling is rendered very difficult.
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> "Lieut. Pomeroy hath acquainted me that about 30 of Capt. Kellogg's beſt ſoldiers offer to go out this winter or early in the ſpring. There are likewiſe ſome of Deerfield men to manifeſt their deſire to go out with a ſmall party in the ſpring, and to lie on ſome rivers in which the Indians frequently paſs, as our people do in the roads. They ſay there are 8 men at Deerfield, ſeveral of whom are men of eſtate and have been priſoners with the Indians and know their manners. They propoſe to add ſome others from the lower towns, but would not have the number exceed 20.

Parties ſhould be raiſed to go to the upper part of St. Francis river where theſe Indians plant their corn, or towards the head of Conn. river where they hunt, or to Ammonooſuck which is the common road from St. Francis to Ammeriſcoggan, and ſo to the Eaſtern country, or to Gray Lock's fort, or poſſibly to all of theſe."

Feb. 8, the governor writes in reply, agreeing to the proposal to send 20 men from Deerfield to waylay the Indians, and adds, "The Council have voted that they be allowed half a crown a day each man, (they to find themselves with provisions) during the time of their being out upon actual service, and the time necessary for fitting themselves out, and that they be entitled to the same rewards for scalps and prisoners as the volunteers, viz. £100."

In carrying out this plan, Capt. Thomas Wells of Deerfield, with a party from Deerfield, Hatfield and Northampton, started in the latter part of March, to range the country to the northward. They were absent about a month. But the Journal of the scout has not been discovered. On their return, April 24, a canoe with 6 of the men was overset in the Connecticut, at the falls a little below the mouth of Miller's river, and Simeon Pomeroy, Thomas Alexander and Noah Allyn were drowned, and James Porter, Lt. Joseph Clesson and Samuel Hannum were saved.

Immediately on the return of this ranging party the Indians left their winter quarters, and came down to watch and worry the frontiers. Capt. Dwight reorganized his company at Fort Dummer, with however, small changes in his men. Daniel Dwight of Northampton was his chaplain; Robert Cooper and Benoni Wright were sergeants; Samuel Burr, Jona. Janes, Daniel Severance of Northfield continued in service. Capt. Kellogg was ordered to retain his command at Northfield. There were added to his company, Sergt. Zechariah Field, Corp. Isaac Mattoon, John Brown, Ebenezer Petty, John Bement, Elias Alexander, William Holton, Azariah Wright, Joseph Alexander, Joseph Alexander Jr., Nathaniel Mattoon, Benoni Moore, Isaac Warner, Remembrance Wright, John Evens, Benj. Wright Jr., Daniel Wright, Ebenezer Webb, then or afterwards of Northfield; Thomas Hastings, surgeon, Josiah Scott, of Hatfield; William Nelson, Eben^{r}. Wells, William Markham, Joseph Dorchester, Archibald Talford, of Springfield; George Bates, of Hadley; Ezekiel Bascom, Joshua Lyman, Samuel Lancton, Nathan Lyman, of Northampton; Elijah Gillett, Jona. Pierce, Nathaniel Pierce, of Enfield; Matthew Cobley, Thomas Austin, of Suffield; Samuel Allen, John Beaman, Joseph Atherton, John Catlin, of Deerfield; Joseph Perry, of Brookfield; Isaac Sackett, of Westfield; Simon Culver, of Stonington; in all 67 men. The total amount for pay and subsistence of this company from May 19 to Nov. 16, was £1139 4*s.* 5*d.* The Posts sent on his Majesty's service, in the course of the campaign were as follows: Isaac Mattoon and horse to Deerfield, 13 miles; Daniel Wright and horse to Fort Dummer, 10 miles; Enoch Hall and horse to Hatfield, 27 miles; Ens. Zech. Field and horse, to do.; Rem. Wright and horse, to do.; Rem. Wright and horse to Fort Dummer, twice, and Hez. Stratton and horse, to do. once; Rem. Wright and horse, to Deerfield, Joseph Perry and horse, and Japhet Chapin and horse, to do.

Capt. John Lovewell's expeditions, this spring, and his battle with Paugus at Fryeburg May. 8, are among the most noted events of this war; but their recital does not come within the province of this work.

Not satisfied with the results of Capt. Wells's expedition, Gov. Dummer made a proposition to Capt. Benj. Wright, to raise and command a party of rangers. Capt. Wright's answer is dated May 29. He says, "I am willing to go and do what I can, but the undertaking being so difficult, and the setting out so chargeable, that the men cant possibly go upon the encouragement offered; but if there was suitable encouragement, the men would go. (But the unhappy loss of men in the last expedition by the mismanagement of the officers has very much dispirited people young and old). It seems to me the most probable place to be attained, and the most serviceable when done, is Meseesquick, Gray Lock's fort. * *"

The governor sent an encouraging letter in reply to this, and a warrant for the enlistment of 60 or 70 men.

The captain's anticipations of difficulties and delays were fully realized. The air was full of alarms. Reports constantly came in of war parties of Indians numbering 30 and 40, ready to start, or actually out on their evil designs. In most of the towns the militia were ordered out, or required to be in readiness for orders. By enlistments in the river towns, and the impressment of some able bodied men from the companies stationed at Northfield and Fort Dummer, Capt. Wright made up his number to 59, and at the end of two months was ready to start.

"*A true Journal* of our march from N-field to Meſixcouk bay under y^{e} command of Benj. Wright Captain, begun July 27, A.D. 1725.

July 27. It rained in y^{e} forenoon: about 2 oclock in y^{e} afternoon I ſet out from N-field, being 59 of us, and we came y^{t} night to Pomeroy's Iſland, 5 miles above N-field.

28. We ſet off from Pomeroy's Iſland and came to Fort Dummer, and there

we mended our canoes, and went yᵗ night to Hawley's Iſland, 5 miles above Fort Dummer.

29. We departed from Hawley's Iſland, and came to a meadow 2 miles ſhort of yᵉ Great Falls.

30. We ſet off from yᵗ meadow and came to yᵉ Great Falls, and carried our canoes acroſs, and from there we went 10 miles.

31 From there we ſet off and came within 3 miles of Black river 17 miles.

Aug. 1. We came to yᵉ ſecond Falls, 15 miles.

2. We ſet off from here and came to yᵉ upper end of White river Falls, 13½ miles.

3. From yᵉ upper end of White river Falls to Paddle Iſland, 13 miles.

4. Foul weather and we camped on Paddle Iſland all day.

5. From Paddle Iſland we went 13 miles, & encamped.

6. From thence we came to yᵉ third meadow at Cowaſs 20 miles yᵗ day.

7. From thence we came to Wells river mouth, 15 m.

8. We encamped here and hid our proviſions and canoes, it being foul weather yᵗ day.

9. Foul weather in yᵉ forenoon. In yᵉ after part of yᵉ day we marched from yᵉ mouth of Wells river 5 miles.

10. This day we marched weſt and by north 10 miles.

11. We marched to yᵉ upper end of yᵉ ſecond Pond at yᵉ head of Wells river upon a northweſt courſe ten miles. About noon this day we came to yᵉ firſt Pond 5 miles, and yⁿ we turned round north weſt and travelled 5 miles further in very bad woods.

12. We marched from yᵉ upper end of yᵉ upper Pond 3 miles in very bad woods, and here encamped, by reaſon of foul weather: here David Allen was taken ſick.

13. We lay by to ſee if Allen would be able to travel.

14. We marched from yᵉ upper end of yᵉ ſecond Pond north and by weſt to French river 9 miles; we croſſed the French river and travelled 1½ m.

15. Here we encamped all day by reaſon of foul weather. This day Clerk Hubbard being very lame was ſent back and two men with him to yᵉ fort at yᵉ mouth of Wells river.

16. We marched from our camp 3 miles and came to a branch of yᵉ French river, from thence we marched 6 miles and came to a beaver pond out of which runs another branch of yᵉ ſaid river, from there we travelled 6 miles and came upon another branch, where we camped, our courſe being W. N. W.

17. We marched from ſaid branch 13 miles and croſſed a vaſt mountain and there we camped yᵗ night.

18. We marched from our camp a little, and came to a fourth branch of French river and we travelled down ſᵈ branch 6 miles and then ſtruck over yᵉ mountain 6 miles further and there we camped. Our courſe W. N. W. 12 miles.

19. We marched from here W. N. W. to the top of a vaſt high mountain which we called mount Diſcovery, where we had a fair proſpect of yᵉ Lake:

4 miles from whence we went down ſ^{d} mountain 2 miles on a N. courſe, and then travelled 6 miles N. W. on a brook; here aroſe a ſtorm which cauſed us to take up our lodging ſomething before night.

20. We followed ſ^{d} brook N. N. W. 9 miles, and then y^{e} brook turned N. and we travelled over it 9 miles further and the brook increaſed to a conſiderable river.

21. We marched 6 miles N. and then came to where y^{e} river emptied itſelf into another large river coming out from y^{e} eaſt ſomewhat northerly: we travelled down ſ^{d} river W. 7 miles, y^{n} y^{e} river turned S. and we marched down 7 miles further, and then we encamped at y^{e} foot of y^{e} Falls.

22. Here we lay ſtill by reaſon of rain.

23. Now I gave liberty to ſome y^{t} they might return home, by reaſon of our proviſions was almoſt ſpent; and there appeared 41: the Capt., Lieut. and Enſign with 12 men marched over y^{e} river at y^{e} foot of y^{e} Falls, and marched 6 miles S. S. W. and 3 miles W. and y^{n} came to y^{e} Lake and marched 6 miles down upon y^{e} Lake and this N. W: and y^{e} north-weſt end of y^{e} Lake or bay being at a great diſtance, then we turned homeward without making any diſcovery here of any enemy.

Aug. 25. We ſet off from y^{e} Lake to return home, and came to y^{e} mouth of Wells river in 5 days and a half. Here we diſcovered 3 Indians, who had juſt waded over y^{e} River juſt below y^{e} fort, which we took to be our own men by reaſon y^{t} y^{e} two Indians which were with us and one man more ſet away early in y^{e} morning to hunt: but it proved upon examination y^{t} they were enemies, but it was too late, for they were moved off.

Aug. 29. We ſet off from y^{e} fort at y^{e} mouth of Wells river, and came into Northfield Sept. 2, at night. I have given y^{r} Honor a true Journal of our march, and ſubmit y^{e} whole to y^{r} Honor's cenſure, and am Your Honor's moſt humble and ob^{t} ſervant to command. BENJ'N WRIGHT.[1]"

The burden of war which bore heaviest on Northfield this year, was the absence of so many of her best men in the service as rangers, or at Fort Dummer, or on Capt. Kellogg's scouts, which he kept out continually.

Aug. 27, Col. Partridge writes: "The English harvest is mostly in without disturbance. * * Four of our men going out for cattle between Deerfield and Northfield, discovered a party of the enemy who had killed a mare and a colt. Our men made a shot upon them and they upon our men, and wounded one of ours it's thought dangerously. It's certain they are near our borders and are about to fall upon our towns, and will do great damage by burning our barns, etc." He immediately receives orders "to dispatch a company of 40 or 50 men, horse or foot at y^{r} discretion, to scout y^{r} borders for a week or 10 days." It was afterwards ascertained that this marauding party was a detachment from a band of 150 hostile Indians which left the Canadian border, under command of Gray Lock, about the 18th of August, for the purpose partly of watching Capt. Wright, and partly to do mischief to the towns, whose efficient defences were weakened by the absence of Wright's men.[1]

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, xxxviii, A. 111.

On the return of Capt. Wright, Col. Stoddard recommended that he and his men be retained in pay, and used in ranging the woods for the present. Sept. 13, Gov. Dummer sent Capt. Wright £300, which was about half of what was due on his pay-roll, with directions to make a fair distribution of it among his officers and men. And he is ordered to prepare to start upon another scout, by such route as he thinks best — "Having a good opinion of your courage; also have the rather chosen that you should go out again, that so you may be in the way to retrieve y^r former error in letting those 3 Indians escape."

Capt. Wright at once set about raising another company of rangers. Fifteen of Capt. Kellogg's men, and 10 of Capt. Dwight's men at Fort Dummer enlisted; and he went to Northampton to secure a full quota. While he was there, Sept. 11, a scout of 6 men was sent out from Fort Dummer by Capt. Dwight, and when 6 or 8 miles west of North river, while eating lunch about 2 o'clock, they discovered some Indians on their track, within 8 rods of them. They jumped up and ran 7 or 8 rods, when the Indians made a shot upon them, and they turned and shot upon the Indians. Two of the latter were seen to fall, when the soldiers scattered. Thomas Bodurtha of Springfield and John Pease of Enfield were killed; Edward Baker of Suffield, John Farrar of Ashford, Nathaniel Chamberlain of Hatfield were taken; Anthony Wiersbury only escaped and returned to the fort.—"The same day, near sunset, Capt. Thomas Wells being in his great pasture, heard crackling of sticks and saw the bushes move, within a few rods of him, and being apprehensive of an enemy near, he ran home and took sundry sturdy men who went to the place, where they found the tracks of 2 Indians, and followed them through two pieces of corn." These alarms drew Capt. Wright to Deerfield, and hindered the preparation of his expedition. He also found enlistments slow; and had great difficulty in getting the requisite amount of suitable stores for his march. The people on the frontiers appear to have become discouraged and reckless. Col. Stoddard writes: "If Capt. Wright could go *immediately* with 50 men to Otter Creek he might intercept some of those parties; but there are no public stores here, and they cannot be got ready seasonably." In another letter he says: "The people in these towns can't be careful many days together: upon the receipt of y^r Honor's last express, I protested to the officers against our careless way of living, and used all the arguments I was capable of to persuade them to order a watch that might be of some significancy in case of the approach of the enemy, but to very little purpose. Most of the people live in secure places [garrisons] in the towns, and depend on being alarmed [by scouts] before they are in danger themselves."

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LII, 265.

Oct. 8 or 9, Capt. Wright started on his second scout. But some of his men went with great reluctancy; they were poorly equipped for the approaching cold weather; jealousies were springing up between the different captains, which infected the under officers and men; and the belief was gaining ground that the war was substantially over. So far as is known, nothing notable came of the expedition.

The state of things in the valley may be inferred from a letter written by Col. Stoddard, Oct. 17.

> "Capt. Dwight meets with great difficulty for want of ſtores for his ſoldiers at Fort Dummer, and if they can't be ſupplied ſpeedily they will be ready to periſh in that cold place, where they can't get blankets to lodge in. They need ſhirts alſo and other things, which he cannot allow every man to ſeek for himſelf at 40 miles diſtant. I have adviſed him to ſend a pack-horſe to Boſton, and hope the Treaſurer will be ordered to ſupply what is wanting."

The death of Gov. Vaudreuil, Oct. 25, broke the mainspring of Indian hostilities. The Father Superior La Chasse and his Jesuits exerted all their powers to prevent a peace; but the Indians became tired of the conflict; they were losing in numbers, and being kept from hunting and trapping, were becoming poorer. The *profit* of the war went into the coffers of the French.

After much time spent in negociations, a treaty of peace with the eastern Indians was signed at Boston Dec. 15, 1725. It was ratified at Falmouth, Aug. 5, 1726.

This did not necessarily bind the western Indians. Gray Lock refused to join in it. Sometime in 1726, he gathered a hostile party about Otter Creek, with a design to fall on our towns. But the keeping up of a military force at Fort Dummer, and the known energy of Capt. Kellogg, added to the moral depression resulting from the peace movement, kept him at home. In the fall (1726) instructions were sent to the commissioners at Albany, to endeavor to draw him over by presents and good will. Jan. 2, 1727, the commissioners sent a message to Gray Lock by his brother Malalamet, inviting him to come to Albany; but the message missed him. They then suggest that a suitable belt be forwarded to them to send to him; and that he be invited to Albany to receive it, as "he will hardly be persuaded to come into your country, for he has done so much mischief on your frontiers, that he doubtless has a guilty conscience. (?) But we fear the French priests and their governor will if possible overset all available measures that may be set on foot to confirm a lasting peace."[1]

But peace was established, and proved to be lasting. The Connecticut valley had rest for eighteen years.

Capt. Dwight held the command at Fort Dummer till near the close of 1726; when it was transferred to Capt. Kellogg, who continued in service here till June 20, 1740.

To show the exhaustive nature of this war, it may be stated that not less than one-seventh of the effective men of Northfield were constantly in garrison or in the field, from the spring of 1723 till the spring of 1726.

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LII, 340.

CHAPTER VII.

Interval of Peace. 1726-1744.

COMPANIES DISBANDED — INDIANS COME TO TRADE — TRUCK-HOUSE — FIRST PROVINCE TAX — ORCHARDS — CAPT. KELLOGG AT FORT DUMMER — OPENING THE MEADOWS — ESTATES IN 1729 — HOW CALLED TO MEETING — DIVISION OF COMMONS — CHOICE LOTS — WANTING LANDS — SEQUESTERED LANDS — SPECIAL GRANTS — SCHOOL — TOWN REPRESENTATIVE — FOUR NEW TOWNSHIPS ABOVE NORTHFIELD — BUILDING ABOVE THE ASHUELOT — MR. DOOLITTLE'S TROUBLES — THE NEW PROVINCE LINE — SHATTUCK'S FORT — SARTWELL'S — BRIDGMAN'S — HINSDELL'S — INDUSTRIES.

THE sudden transitions from peace to war, and from war to peace, are a marked feature of frontier life. The leaders on both sides forecast the future, and form plans, more or less definite, in anticipation of events. But the common people, both whites and savages, go on in accustomed ways, till the strife actually opens; and when the hatchet is buried, as readily resume former occupations, and reinstate all the relations of peace. If revenges are cherished, they are prudently concealed, and the opportunity patiently waited.

In the fall of 1726, the military company at Northfield was dismissed, and in the winter Capt. Dwight's company at Fort Dummer was discharged; and Capt. Kellogg was ordered to recruit a small company for garrison duty at the Fort.

1727. June 19, Col. Partridge writes: "I thought it mete to inform y^r Honor that considerable numbers of Indians from their hunting come in at Deerfield and Northfield, and the English trade with them; and it is said that some of our men go out and carry them strong liquor and make the Indians drunk and get their furs for a small matter, so that when they get out of their drink, and see that their furs are gone, they are mad, and care not what mischief they do: a ready way to bring on outrages and murders, if not the war again. I humbly am of opinion that it is needful either to prohibit trading with them, or to regulate their trading as y^r Honor may judge mete. We have some disorderly men, in particular one Daniel Severance, that declares openly he will kill y^e Indian that scalped his father. I have given him warning that if he should do such a thing in time of peace he must come upon trial for his life."

Truck-house.— In accordance with the suggestion made in the letter, above quoted, and on recommendation of Capt. Kellogg, who during his captivity in Canada had learned the manner in which the trade in peltry was conducted between the French and Indians, a trading post was eatablished at Fort Dummer in 1728; and thenceforth for many years it served the double purpose of a garrison and truck-house. Capt. Kellogg was continued in command till 1740. He received £4 per month as captain and £100 per annum as truck master. His force varied from 9 to 20 men; and from '34 to '44, six Indian commissioners were stationed here. Rev. Eben^r. Hinsdell was chaplain at the post till 1743. Many Northfield men were connected with this garrison for a longer or shorter period. John Sergeant was second in command; Orlando Bridgman third officer, and Joshua Lyman fourth officer. Samuel Burr, Daniel Severance, Elias Alexander, Joseph Alexander, John Alexander, Philip Alexander, Aaron Alexander, Benjamin Knight, John Mun, Seth Field, Samuel Root, Eben^r Stratton, were in service at different times. The pay of a common soldier was 40 shillings per month.

Province Tax.— Previous to 1727, no Province tax had been assessed on Northfield, and the town had received no share of the Bills of Credit issued by order of the General Court. This year the town was required to pay such tax, and received as her share of the sixty thousand pounds Bills of Credit, issued in 1728, ninety-four pounds. This money, when delivered to the town treasurer, was loaned in various sums, to individuals, for the term of 10 years, the borrower paying 6 per cent per annum interest, 2 per cent of which went to the town and 4 per cent to the Province treasury.

Orchards.— Apple trees were planted during the Second Settlement, and were in full bearing in 1723. In 1728, Lieut. Eliezur Wright set out an apple orchard. Rev. Mr. Doolittle was planting an orchard in 1736.

Opening the Meadows.— A town meeting was called each year, about the 25th of September, to determine the time when the meadows and common fields should be opened for the pasturing of stock, and previous to which the corn crop must be gathered. Pauchaug was sometimes opened as early as Sept. 25, though not usually till Oct. 1. Great meadow was commonly opened about Oct. 10, and Bennett's meadow near the same date.

1729. *A Rate, for defraying y^e town and county charges, levied on the Polls and Real and Perſonal Eſtates, in Northfield, Feb.* 12, 1729. *Tax on the Poll,* £0 3*s.* 9*d.*

Names.	No. Polls.	Estates			Names.	No. Polls	Estates		
		£	*s.*	*d.*			£	*s.*	*d.*
Capt. Benj. Wright,	1	0	6	7	Benoni Moore,	1	0	2	5
Hez. Stratton,	1	0	8	10	Daniel Wright,	1	0	3	10
Benoni Wright,	1	0	2	0	Elie'r Wright Jr.,	1	0	1	5
Hez. Elmer,	1	0	2	1	Zechariah Field,	1	0	15	9
Isaac Mattoon,	1	0	6	5	Steph. Belding,	1	0	13	3
Isaac Warner,	2	0	6	4	Joseph Burt,	1	0	2	6
Benj. Miller,	1	0	2	4	Enoch Hall,	1	0	0	9
Theoph. Merriman's heirs,	0	0	2	0	John Bement,	1	0	0	3
Lt. Eliezur Wright,	3	0	16	10	Wm. Wright,	1	0	3	6
Nehemiah Wright,	1	0	0	3	Eben'r Alexander,	2	0	6	10
Rememb. Wright,	1	0	3	7	Joseph Stebbins,	1	0	6	1
William Holton,	4	0	13	1	Jos. Merchant,	1	0	0	2
Samuel Smith,	1	0	0	8	Nath'l Dickinson,	1	0	5	6
Nath'l Mattoon,	1	0	9	3	Abra'm Elgar,	1	0	1	1
Jonathan Janes,	1	0	7	6	Mary Patterson,	0	0	2	3
Eleazar Holton,	1	0	7	10	Asahel Stebbins,	1	0	0	3
Peter Evens,	2	0	12	9	John Stoddard,	0	0	3	9
John Brown,	1	0	0	6	Joseph Petty,	2	0	8	4
Jona. Belding,	1	0	17	2	Thos. Holton's heirs,	0	0	3	4
Elea'r Mattoon,	1	0	8	3	Robert Cooper,	1	0	5	8
Azariah Wright,	1	0	2	1	Thos. Taylor's heirs	0	0	3	9
Eben'r Field's heirs,	0	0	1	11	Jona. Hunt,	0	0	12	7
Jos. Alexander,	1	0	7	9	Ebenezer Webb,	1	0	0	0
Dan'l Shattuck,	1	0	5	6	Israel Warner,	1	0	0	0

Amount of Poll tax, £9 6 6; Estate tax, £12 14 10; Total, £22 1 4. £17 16 2 was to defray town charges, the balance was a county tax.

HOW CALLED TO MEETING.—During the war men went to meeting on the Sabbath, as they went to their daily labor, fully armed. And at the return of peace, warlike associations were so intimately connected with all public assemblies, that the town voted to call the inhabitants to meeting for public worship on the Lord's day, *by beating the drum.* Eleazar Holton was appointed for this duty, and was paid £1 10 per annum. Ensign Field was paid 3 shillings, for the use of his drum. He was also paid £1 10 for sweeping the meeting-house. In 1734, the drum beat was discontinued, and the town employed a man to sweep the meeting-house, and "hang out a flagg," paying therefor £2 10. The people were called together in this way for the next ten years, and perhaps longer. In 1744, Daniel Wright was paid £1 5 for hanging out the flag; and Jona. Janes received £2 10 for sweeping the meeting house.

1731. This year, for the first time, the town voted to send a representative to the General Court; but for some reason failed of making an election, as they did for the succeeding five years.

There was also an article in the warrant for the annual meeting, to see if the town will build a school house; but the project failed; and there is no record of any public school till 1736.

DIVISION OF COMMONS.— The main business, of historical importance, transacted this year, was the division among the inhabitants of a large part of the lands heretofore held in common. Some of these lands were broken and mountainous, and of little value; while others were attractive, and subsequently became family seats, and productive farms.

CHOICE LOTS.— The first meeting of the town to act upon the apportionment of undivided lands, was held February 11, at which it was voted to distribute the more desirable outlands to the inhabitants *by choice*, i. e. wherever each one's fancy or interest led him to choose, without regard to location or continuous plot. A poll tax drew 10 acres, and a pound in the valuation entitled an individual to a certain number of acres additional. A committee was appointed to determine the proportion of each person, from the valuation of the last year; and then the choice was to proceed as follows: He who drew the lot marked No. 1, could take one-half the number of acres to which he was entitled where he liked best, the piece selected to be laid out by the town measurers in suitable form; and so with the drawer of No. 2, and through the list. "And he that by lot shall have the first choice in the first half shall have the last choice in the second half of the grant. And if any person shall have a mind to have any part of his grant in the plain below Clarke's Island, he shall take one acre for two, and not to exceed 20 acres for one person. The first choice by lot shall begin on the 1st of April next; and then each grant successively within two days thereafter: And if any person neglect or refuse to take his choice within the time specified, then the next on the list shall take his place.

Voted, that there be a reservation made and consideration for suitable highways through every man's grant, in case of need."

Some of these Choice Lots can be identified. William Holton took his first choice of 81 acres at the north end of Bennett's hill, which eventually led to the location of the Holton family in that vicinity. Hezekiah Stratton chose both his lots on the plain north and west of Wells's meadow; and this tract, together with 52 acres set off to him as a special grant and laid out adjoining the former, constituted what was known as *Stratton's Field.* Daniel Shattuck took his first choice on the plain against Merry's meadow, and his second on Chestnut hill. These were near his lot in Merry's meadow, and naturally led to the building of his house and fort there. Capt. Benj. Wright took his first lot on the plain south of the town adjoining the Committee's Farms, and his second betwixt Miller's brook and Saw-mill brook. Ensign Field chose one lot below the first Beers's mountain, and the other on the plain against and above Little meadow. The latter was laid out 160 rods long by 101 rods wide. Serg^t Joseph Petty took both his lots above Second Moose plain. His land covered what is now the Railroad station grounds at South Vernon. Tho^s Taylor's heirs chose the first 36 acres, in the meadow south of the Ashuelot, where a son afterwards built his house. Theoph. Merriman's heirs took their first choice south of the sequestered land, embracing the spot where Capt. Samuel Merriman located some years later. Rev. Mr. Doolittle's first 70 acres was laid out on the north west part of Staddle hill. Dea. Eben^r Alexander took his first choice of 47 acres near Cooper's Point.

THE FIRST AND SECOND DIVISIONS OF COMMONS.— At an adjourned meeting held Feb. 18, the town voted to apportion to the inhabitants, the common lands lying southerly, easterly and northerly of the town plot. The *First Division* began at a place called Old Soldier's Hole, the line abutting against the south foot of Beers's plain, and running east 160 rods. From this as the south bound, the lots were laid out in succession, skipping Dry Swamp and Great Swamp, to the north line of the upper home-lot, when the lots were to be extended west 60 rods to the highway, making the remaining lots 220 rods, and so to continue north to Pauchaug great brook. East of and bounding this division, and extending its whole length, was a 6 rods highway.

The Second Division began at a line coincident with the south line of the First; ran east half a mile as the other did, to a 10 rods highway, and extended up north till the number of grants was filled. "These grants not to infringe upon any grants made before the year 1729, with allowance for suitable highways where they are needed; and timber, wood, stone and herbage to be free for the benefit of the town for the space of seven years, and forever unless men's grants be fenced; and each man to draw for the number of his lot.

In the First Division, a poll drew 2¾ acres; in the Second, 4 acres. The remainder was apportioned on property according to the valuation, but by what rule is not known.

The Third Division. At a meeting April 10, 1732, the town voted that the Third Division shall begin at a little stoney brook called Four mile brook, or against the Country Farms, and take in all the land between the 10 rods highway and the east bounds of the town, and extend northward above the Ashuelot river. *Voted*, that every man's grant shall lie free for the town's use, viz. for stone, wood and timber, until men's grants are enclosed by fence. *Voted*, that the apportionment shall be according to the following rules, viz. three acres upon the pound valuation, and 50 acres upon the poll.

To show who were inhabitants at this date, and the large amount of outlands held by many families, the following tabulated statement is presented, including only the grants made at this time. Most of the inhabitants were already in possession of a large landed interest in the several meadows, plains and swamps; and their estates were greatly augmented by the subsequent grants under the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Divisions of Commons.

Names.	Choice Lots.	1st Div.	2d Div.	3d Div.	Names.	Choice Lots.	1st Div.	2d Div.	3d Div.
	acres	acres	acres	acres		acres	acres	acres	acres
Capt. Benj. Wright,	116	22	30¾	320	Eben'r Severance heirs,	26			
Lt. Elie'r Wright,	165	46½	65¼	425	John Bement,	14	3¾	5½	65
Ens. Zech. Field,	200	50	71¼	660	Enoch Hall,	14	4	5½	62
Dea. Eben'r Alexander,	94	26	37¼	185	Samuel Smith,	22	10	14¼	104
Mr. Benj. Doolittle,	140	39½	55¾	400	Tho's Holton's heirs,	68	14	17¼	141
Dea Elea'r Mattoon,	121	23¼	45¼	365	Benj. Miller,	24	7½	10¾	75
William Holton,	162	45	64¼	416	Theoph. Merriman's heirs,	35	6¼	17½	75
Joseph Petty,	99	28	39¾	293	John Brown,	14	4	5½	65
Stephen Belding,	134	37¾	53¼	455	Jona. Patterson's heirs,	43	7¼	10	75
Jona. Belding,	132	37	52¾	473	Eliezur Wright Jr.,	31	7½	10¾	110
Jos Alexander,	21	10¾	14¾	65	Nehemiah Wright,	30	4½	6¼	75
Peter Evens,	165	46¾	65¼	425	Jos. Alexander Jr.,	26	3¼	4¾	56
Eleazar Holton,	98	27¾	39¼	280	Abraham Elgar,	20	5¾	7	65
Hez. Stratton,	111	29¼	41½	308	Thos. Taylor's heirs,	72	12¼	17¾	171
Isaac Warner,	97	25¾	36	254	Joseph Petty Jr.,	10	2¾	4	98
Nath'l Mattoon,	122	34¼	48¾	341	John Alexander,	10	2¾	4	50
Isaac Mattoon,	94	26¼	37½	281	Ebenezer Webb,	10	2¾	4	50
Jonathan Janes,	91	25½	36	296	Israel Warner,	10	2¾	4	50
Azariah Wright,	46	13	18¼	140	Asahel Stebbins's heirs,	10			
Daniel Shattuck,	69	19½	27½	205	Benj. Wright Jr., heirs,	10			
Nath'l Dickinson,	61	17¼	24¼	209	Eben'r Field's heirs,	34	6¾	9½	45
William Syms,	19	8¾	12¼	90	John Beaman,				150
Hezekiah Elmer,	39	11	15	137	Lt. Jona. Hunt,				300
Remem. Wright,	53	13¼	18¾	179	William Holton Jr.,				214
Joseph Stebbins,	74	20½	9	227	Elias Alexander,				50
Benoni Moore,	44	8¾	12½	130	Phinehas Wright,				50
Daniel Wright,	45	12¾	18	149	Daniel Brown,				50
William Wright,	44	12¼	17¾	170	Samuel Holton,				50
Robert Cooper,	71	20	28	197	John Holton,				50
Joseph Burt,	43	12	17¼	170	Eben'r Warner,				50
Benoni Wright,	30	10	13¾	110	Benoni Wright Jr.,				50

The proprietors of the Third Division of Commons organized as a body corporate Nov. 12, 1750. They chose a moderator and permanent clerk, and provided for calling future meetings. Their records have not been found.

The proprietors of the Second Division, organized Mar. 17, 1756, by the choice of Nehemiah Wright moderator, and Seth Field clerk. "*Voted*, That the flank lines between each proprietor shall be ranged and run agreeable to the first lot in the First Division as that is ranged and laid out." They continued to hold meetings for many years; but their records have not been found.

An organization, called "The proprietors of common and undivided lands," was formed in 1750 or 51, and held meetings from year to year, as late as 1820. They took charge of all unappropriated and *unclaimed* lands.

Many of the grantees of lots in the Third Division soon made sale of their lots to land speculators. Ezekiel Kellogg trader of Hadley bought up 2124 acres,[1] which he sold in 1734, for 22 cents per acre, to James Brown of Newport R. I. Jonathan Morton of Hatfield bought 9 lots, amounting to 1048 acres, which land was taxed to his heirs as late as 1797, when a part (450 a.) was sold to Timothy Dutton.

SEQUESTERED LANDS.—In 1728, by vote of the town, a lot of 50 a. of land lying southwardly of Old Soldier's Hole, under the west side of the mountain, 100 rods E. and W., by 80 rods N. and S., was "sequestered for the use of the ministry or a school." The next year, the town voted that 50 a. lying N. of the present sequestered land, and 50 a. lying S. of the same, "be laid out and sequestered for the use of the ministry." In 1730, it was voted that 50 a. of "the best land to be found on Staddle hill, 100 rods N. and S., by 80 rods E. and W., be sequestered for the ministry or a school." In addition to these four lots, two small lots of town land in Bennett's meadow were sequestered for the use of the ministry. Most or all of these lands were sold, about the year 1765, to pay for the new meeting-house.

WANTING LANDS.—It often happened that in laying out men's grants, too small allowance for sag of chain would be made, or a bound would be selected for convenience, or a mistake would occur, which subsequent careful measurement would detect. In all such cases the town was ready to vote the requisite number of acres to make up the deficiency. Some of the home-lots fell short, and were made up by meadow lands at the rate of several acres for one. The same thing happened in the choice lot's division. These grants to supply deficiencies, are named in the records, *wanting lands.*

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[1] Stephen Belding bought his brother Jonathan's right in the Third Division, and sold the united lots, Sept. 26, 1733, to Ezekiel Kellogg.

SPECIAL GRANTS OF PROVINCE LANDS. — During the period covered by this chapter, the policy became general, of rewarding soldiers, who had rendered special service or been disabled in the Indian wars, with grants of Province land. In some cases, the soldiers or heirs of soldiers that were out on a perilous expedition were, as a body, honored by the General Court. Thus Falls-town, now Bernardston, was granted to the survivors or heirs of the men who were in the Falls Fight under Capt. William Turner, in 1676. Roxbury-Canada, now Warwick, was granted to the officers and soldiers under Capt. Andrew Gardner, who went from Roxbury in the expedition to Canada in 1690. And many similar township grants were made.

A brief account will be given of such grants as were set off to Northfield men; or were laid out on or near our town borders.

Nov. 1721, 500 acres of land was granted by the General Court to the heirs of John Paine, which was located "on Dry brook, between Deerfield and Northfield, beginning 20 rods west of the fordway."

In 1728, on his petition, a tract of 200 acres near Brookfield, was granted to Capt. Joseph Kellogg, on account of his services as interpreter, etc.

The same year, [confirmed June 30, 1731] a grant of 200 acres "lying westerly of Braintry 6000 acres," was made to Capt. Benjamin Wright. This land lay to the north of Brookfield.

In 1732, a farm of 500 acres was granted to Gov. Jonathan Belcher, and laid out within the limits of Northfield [See *ante*, p. 155].

April 4, 1733, a plantation of the contents of 6 miles square, lying to the northward and eastward of Northfield, was laid out to Col. Josiah Willard and others. This included Gov. Belcher's farm, and extended from the south end of Merry's meadow 4½ miles and 20 rods up the river; and then 8½ miles and 20 rods east; then south 6¼ miles and 52 rods, etc. This grant encroached about 3000 acres on Northfield territory, and was to that extent null and void; and in 1739, on petition of Col. Willard, an equivalent for this 3000 acres was granted him elsewhere. The plantation was first called Earlington, afterwards written Arlington; and now constitutes, in part, the town of Winchester, N. H.

In 1733, a plot of 150 acres was laid out to William Hack of Taunton, Bristol Co., "on account of his great losses in the expedition against Canada in the year 1690. This land lay on the east side of, and near to the country road leading from Sunderland to Northfield. In 1773, this grant was annexed to Northfield. In 1860, it was set off to Erving. Near this was a small grant known as the "Rose Farm"; but careful search has failed to trace its history.

In 1734, a tract of 200 acres east of Northfield and south of Mt. Grace, was laid out to Joseph Severance of Deerfield.

In the same year, 300 acres of land on Swift river, was laid out to Nathaniel Alexander; and 300 acres, lying on the west side of the Connecticut, adjoining the south bound of Northfield, to Joseph Clesson of Deerfield, who was a garrison soldier at the time of the destruction of that town in 1704.

Jan. 12, 1736, Benoni Moor, Joseph Petty and Robert Cooper petitioned the General Court for a grant of land, on account of services in the late war; and 600 acres of unappropriated land, lying easterly of the township of Northfield was granted to them, 200 acres to each. This tract was located near where is now the village of Orange.

June 27, 1736, a grant of 500 acres was made by the legislature to the town of Pembroke, "to enable said town to keep and maintain a grammar school." This was sold to Reuben and Noah Morgan, and was annexed to Northfield in 1773.

In the same year a tract of 200 acres, abutting on the east line of Northfield, was granted and laid out to Samuel Field of Deerfield.

Dec. 5, 1737, a tract of land, 185 acres, bounded north by Northfield south line, was granted to Col. John Quincy.

1736. SCHOOL.—The town was presented by the County Court this year for not having a school for the education of children, according to law. And at a meeting called for the purpose, it was voted "that the town have a school-master;" and a committee was chosen to build or buy or hire a school-house. At a subsequent meeting, it was voted "to build a school-house, and set it in the street against Mr. Samuel Hunt's home-lot." From certain votes passed the next year, it appears that a part of the Province bills of credit, loaned to individuals in 1728, was called in, and applied to pay for the School-house. It was voted to raise £13 18 to pay a school-master. Probably Mr. Seth Field was employed as the first teacher.

1737. Number of taxable polls in town	79
Number of home-lots taxed	52
" of oxen	68
" " horses	99
" " cows	108
" " sheep	225
" " hogs	141
Total valuation	£2044 12 0

All males over 16 years paid a poll tax of 1*s.* 6*d.*; and real and personal estate, and income of trade or faculty, were taxed 1*d.* on the pound.

First Paupers in Town.—Voted, that Thomas Stoddard, wife and children be maintained by the town, till they are able to leave.

First Representative.—This year Mr. John Beaman was chosen to represent the town in the General Court. He had no successor till the opening of the Revolutionary war.

At the session of the General Court, a petition of Mr. John Beaman, representative, and in behalf of the town, was presented, showing that certain parties by leave, purchased sundry large tracts of land of the Indian proprietors, wherein Northfield is included and is part; that the Indians have lately acknowledged the purchase to be good; and the General Court has made sundry grants of land within said purchase, which are quietly held; that there is a tract of land lying between Northfield south bounds and Miller's river, and another tract between Northfield and Arlington, part of said purchase; and praying that the said town may obtain a grant thereof, for the reasons mentioned.

Read, and passed in the negative.

A new Truck-House.—Jan. 21, 1737. *Voted* by the House of Representatives, that when 20 families are settled in the two upper towns (No. 1. on the west side, and No. 4. on the east side of the river) and a corn and saw-mill are put up in said towns or either of them, the Truck-house above Northfield shall be removed and placed on the west side near the Black river, so called.

Concurred by the Council, Jan. 22, 1737.

New Townships above Northfield.—At this date Massachusetts held by undisputed right, the territory as far north as the present south line of Westmoreland N. H., and claimed a good title to the country about 30 miles further to the northward, and to the east as far as the Merrimack river. On petition of divers parties, living in different sections of the Province, who were desirous of securing the rich meadow lands in that region, the General Court, Jan. 15, 1736, *voted*, "That it is expedient to lay out four townships on the east side of the Connecticut river above Northfield, said townships to be of the contents of 6 miles square, and not to extend more than 6 miles from the river." A committee of eleven persons was appointed, who proceeded to lay out these townships; and in September notified the petitioners to meet at Concord Mass. A large number attended the meeting, of whom 60 complied with the conditions prescribed, and were admitted as grantees.

The south bound of township No. 1. was placed at a point on the river, 4½ miles and 20 rods north of the southerly end of Merry's meadow (which would be near the present dividing line between Hinsdale and Chesterfield). The north bound of No. 4. was in the upper part of the present town of Charlestown N. H. The plot of these townships, known by the numbers, 1, 2, 3 and 4, was accepted by the General Court Nov. 30, 1736; and Dec. 13, the following persons were appointed and empowered to call the first meeting of the several proprietors for organization, viz. Samuel Chamberlain of Westford for No. 1.; Nathaniel Harris of Watertown for No. 2.; John Flint of Concord for No. 3.; Thomas Wells of Deerfield for No. 4.

At the same session of the Court, two townships were laid out on the west side of the river, "between the Equivalent Land and the Great Falls." Joseph Tisdale of Taunton was empowered to call the first meeting of the proprietors of No. 1; and Palmer Goulding of Worcester to call together the proprietors of No. 2. [The grants lying on the east side of the river were numbered going up stream; those on the west side were numbered coming down stream.]

BUILDING NORTH OF THE GREAT BEND. The laying out of these new plantations, and the simultaneous beginning of settlements at Upper Ashuelot (Keene), and Arlington, naturally gave an impulse to our people to commence improvements on their choice lots and meadow lands lying on and above the Ashuelot. As early as 1723, a highway 2 rods wide was laid from Pauchaug to the Ashuelot; and in 1736, this highway was extended to and through Merry's meadow. Indeed the travel and transportation between Northfield and Fort Dummer, all of which went on the east side of the river and over this highway, to the fordway above the mouth of Broad brook, had made a well worn road. And the existence of this established pathway was one of the reasons why men located on the east earlier than on the west side of the river. *Fence viewers* were first chosen by the town for Merry's meadow, in 1732; and the meadow proprietors organized, and ordered the fences built, in the spring of 1736. [See *ante*, p. 16.]

As near as can be ascertained, the first house in this vicinity, was built by Daniel Shattuck in the fall of '36 or spring of '37. He put up a good sized and heavily timbered log house on the brook that ran through his lot in Merry's meadow, which he afterwards made into a *fort*, by building another similar structure on the opposite side of the brook, and connecting the two by a plank palisade, and surrounding the whole with a line of strong pickets. The fort was on the place now owned by John Stearns, and stood a little distance out upon the meadow where the road then ran. The brook has since changed its course, and now runs some distance to the south of the site of the fort.

In the spring of '37 Robert Cooper built a log house just south of Merry's meadow, near the site of the old Hinsdale meeting house. Probably the other meadow proprietors improved their lots; but it is not known that more houses were put up at this time.

In 1741, John Evens built south of the Ashuelot, on what is known as the Elihu Stebbins homestead. Cooper and Evens were driven off in 1745, but returned after the close of the war. Evens's house was fortified in 1754, and served as a temporary refuge for the Stebbins and Stratton families then living on the opposite side of the river.

In 1738, Josiah Sartwell, then living in Northfield, obtained a grant of 100 acres from the General Court, which was laid out on the west bank of the Connecticut. It butted south on the north line of Northfield; the west line ran N. 14° 30′ W. 309 rods. The width at the south end was 115 rods, at the north end 30 rods. He built a block house, for a dwelling and fort, near the south line of his grant in '39 or '40. He was taxed in Northfield in '38, and seems to have moved upon his grant the next year.

In 1742, Orlando Bridgman built a block-house on his farm, which lay south of and adjoined the Sartwell grant. This farm was wholly within the limits of Northfield, and the house stood about half a mile below Sartwell's.

The coming on of these families induced Mr. Ebenezer Hinsdell, who had been chaplain at Fort Dummer for 14 years, to erect a block-house, upon land which he owned on Ash-swamp brook, and to put in a grist mill on the next brook about 50 rods below. This mill-site was convenient to the settlers just now located, and would accommodate the garrison and families stationed at Fort Dummer, who had previously got their grinding done at Belding's mill. The fort buildings were put up, probably in the summer of 1742, and stood on the bluff back of the meadow about 60 rods east of the river. The position was a strong one, and commanded a view southward as far as old Fort Hill, and northward to the mouth of Broad brook, and westward to the mountains, including Sartwell's and Bridgman's block-houses.

The cellar-hole of the fort is still to be seen, about 20 rods south-west of the house of Lemuel Liscom.

These several block-houses, which were strictly private enterprises, and were used as dwellings, proved of great service in the subsequent wars, and will often come into notice in the course of our narrative.

Capt. Kellogg continued in command at Fort Dummer, till June 20, 1740, when he was appointed Interpreter to the Indian nations, and was succeeded in the command by Capt. Josiah Willard.—Joseph Kellogg was the son of Martin Kellogg of Hadley, Deerfield and Suffield. He was born at Hadley Nov. 8, 1691; was taken captive by the Indians at Deerfield when 12 years of age and carried to Canada, where he learned to speak French, and became familiar with the languages and customs of all the Indian tribes living in that region, and also of the Mohawks and some of the more western tribes. He was induced to return home in 1714, and was almost constantly employed in the public service on the frontiers, as has already appeared. He was often sent as a commissioner to Albany, Canada, and other places. He served as Interpreter, with headquarters at Fort Dummer, 1740–49; was employed as Interpreter in Rev. John Sergeant's Indian Mission school at Stockbridge for near two years; was present at the celebrated treaty at Albany in 1754. In 1756, though broken in health, he was persuaded by Gov. Shirley to accompany him, as Interpreter, to Oswego. But his strength was not equal to the journey; and he died and was buried at Schenectady. He was regarded as the best Interpreter of his day in New England.

Capt. Kellogg's was one of those true, brave natures that are not appreciated while living, and receive little renown when dead. Men feel the good they do and accept the blessings they impart, just as they accept and feel the daily sunshine, hardly realizing its source and beneficent power. Unselfish, fearless, conscientious always, ready to go where duty called, he gave the strength of his manhood to the defence of these frontiers. He lived to see doubtful beginnings become sturdy growths; he lived to see the question settled that the French rule would never be dominant in the Connecticut valley. Northfield owes it to him that she was not a third time destroyed.

While Fort Dummer was used as a Truck-house, little care was bestowed upon its defences; and in 1740 and '41 large repairs were made. Two bastions at opposite angles were built; a line of pickets, 20 feet in height, was set around the fort; and some swivel guns were added to the pateraros with which it was originally armed. A "Great Gun," whose report could be distinctly heard at Northfield, is often named in the records, as part of the armament of the fort; but it appears to have been used mainly as a signal when assistance was needed, or some remarkable news was received. Within the enclosure were four province houses, two stories high, convenient and comfortable; besides several smaller houses containing a single room each.

The New Province Line.— There had long existed a dispute between the Provinces of Massachusetts and New Hampshire, in regard to the true northern boundary of the former Province. It grew out of the different constructions put upon the Massachusetts charter of 1692. And as a last resort, the matter was by both parties in interest referred to the king. His Majesty issued a decree dated Aug. 5, 1740, fixing the boundary line at a point more than 40 miles to the south of the line claimed by Massachusetts, and 14 miles further south than New Hampshire had claimed; thus taking a strip 14×50 miles in extent out of the territory of Massachusetts, her title to which had never been questioned, and on parts of which her citizens had been in quiet possession for two generations. This arbitrary decree caused great distress and loss, and laid the foundations for bitter resentments and re-criminations that lasted for half a century.

By direction of the government of New Hampshire (Massachusetts declining to be a party) the new line was run in March 1741, by Richard Hazen, from the Merrimack river, westward. As heretofore stated, this line cut off a tract of Northfield territory, 4 miles and 197 rods in width. The Northfield proprietors however, did not give up their rights of property in this tract, and they were not interfered with. As late as 1753, the common lands lying north of the Ashuelot were divided to the old grantees, and the title thus acquired held good. Till the incorporation of Hinsdale in 1753, the people living on the cut off territory were styled, in deeds and official documents, "of the northerly part of Northfield township above the line of the Massachusetts government."

Mr. Doolittle's Troubles. — The recorded action of the town shows that the first 17 years of Mr. Doolittle's pastorate in Northfield was highly acceptable to the people. In 1733, the town voted, "To give Rev. Mr. Doolittle the sum of fifteen pounds additional salary, in money or bills of credit, during his continuance in the work of the ministry amongst us." This vote furnishes unmistakable evidence of respect and confidence. But in 1736 or 37, a disaffection arose. His medical and surgical practice was extensive and lucrative, and in the opinion of some interfered with his ministerial duties. He also differed from some of his leading church members in his views of religious doctrine.

A *Memorandum*, in the hand-writing of Lieut. Eliezur Wright, indicates — without explaining — the principal points of the controversy:

> "1. the fall of the money ; 2. the uſe of the £100 ; 3. the wood ; 4. his entering a complaint to the Court and withdrawing his action ; 5. his telling the town he would not lay by doctoring and chirurgery under 400 pounds a year ; 6. his refuſing to comply with the Aſſociation's and the Court's advice for a mutual council ; 7. his practice of doctoring and chirurgery, and acting as proprietor's clerk for Wincheſter, contrary to the town's mind."

The leading families that sided with Mr. D. were the Fields, Alexanders, Strattons, Beldings, Hunt, Evens, Petty, Beaman, and William Holton: his leading opposers were the Mattoons, Wrights, Merrimans, Jonathan Janes, Joseph Stebbins, Eleazar Holton, Samuel Smith, Nathaniel Dickinson, and Daniel Shattuck. A strong majority of numbers upheld the pastor; and the removal from town of Dea. Eleazar Mattoon, from dislike to Mr. D., weakened the minority.

Feb. 26, 1739, the following paper was handed to Mr. Doolittle:

> "Revnd Sir: You have a long time been acquainted with the uneaſineſs we labor under reſpecting ſome of the doctrines you have delivered from the pulpit and in private converſation, and we judge the following propoſals very reaſonable, and deſire your compliance with them:
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> 1. We judge it highly reaſonable we ſhould be heard upon the objections we have to make againſt ſome of the doctrines you have delivered as aforeſaid, which doctrines we judge to be Arminianiſm.
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> 2. We judge it very reaſonable you ſhould join with us in chooſing a Council of miniſters and others, indifferent in the cauſe, to hear our matters of objection.
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> 3 We judge it reaſonable that you ſhould have a copy of the matters of charge we have againſt you, a week before the ſitting of the Council aforeſaid.
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> 4. We judge it reaſonable that the parties ſhould be obliged to abide by the determination of ſuch Council, that the controverſie between us may be ended. By abiding by the determination of y^{e} Council we mean, y^{t} if the Council ſhall

> judge y^{t} we have proved that you have advanced many of y^{e} Arminian doctrines, the relation you ſtand in to us as our paſtor and preacher ſhall be diſſolved. But if they judge otherwiſe, we are willing you ſhould continue to be our paſtor.
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> 5. If you think what is above propoſed, in whole or in part unreaſonable, we deſire you'd propoſe ſomething that is reaſonable.
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> We deſire your anſwer in writing within two days. Signed by Capt. Benj. Wright, and 18 others.

No answer to these proposals was received; and the disaffected brethren applied to Rev. William Williams the venerable minister of Hatfield, for advice. His answer, dated Mar. 2, 1739, breathes the spirit of true wisdom and christian charity, and recommends substantially the line of action contemplated in the proposals just quoted. He suggests, in addition, that "the matter may be referred to the next meeting of the Association, which for aught I know, if desired, may be at your town."

A meeting of the Hampshire Association was held at Northfield May 3, 1739, and Capt. Wright and those acting with him applied to it for advice. The Association recommended, 1. that the members of the church use all proper methods among themselves to heal the dissensions and secure harmony, by humble prayer to the God of peace, and by the earnest culture of the spirit of mutual good-will; by treating your pastor with respect and good temper; by endeavoring to learn his principles by calm conversation with him, and careful attendance upon his public ministry for the space of half a year. 2. If all these means shall fail, then we recommend the calling of a mutual Council. 3. If a Council be called, we recommend that you agree upon such churches as are known to be sound and orthodox in the faith, and not directly related to either side; and that you furnish the pastor *in writing*, two weeks beforehand, all the particulars which you have against him. 4. That you pledge yourselves to abide by the decision of the Council.

But the disaffected brethren declined to call upon Mr. Doolittle for the "calm conversation;" and Mr. Doolittle declined to unite with them in calling a Council.

Another appeal was made to the Association at its meeting in West Springfield, April, 1740; and that body repeated its advice of last year. In the fall, the matter was carried (by which party is unknown) to the County court in session at Springfield. In response, the Justices sent a letter addressed "To the selectmen of the town of Northfield, to be communicated to said town," in which they declare that, although "this affair was not directly within their province; yet being desirous that peace may be promoted and religion flourish amongst the people," they advise "a compliance with the advice of the Association, without making any additions thereto, or without any strained constructions put thereon, readily and speedily to conform to it."

To understand the exact nature and bearings of this controversy, and the zeal of the two parties — the one in favor of submitting the matter to an Ecclesiastical Council, and the other in opposition to that course — it is to be borne in mind that this was the period of the "Great Awakening" which attended the preaching of Rev. Jonathan Edwards then of Northampton, and that men's opinions on doctrinal points were becoming very sharply defined.

The strong majority in his favor in the church, probably influenced the pastor to decline all overtures for a public hearing and adjudication.

The following paper, in the hand-writing of Mr. Doolittle, shows how the difficulty was *settled* — though probably not *healed:* [it appears to have been read and the action taken at the close of the afternoon service on the Sabbath.]

Northfield, February 27, A.D., 1740–41.

To y^e Church of Chriſt in Northfield. *Brethren:* There has been a great noiſe about my Principals which has been very wounding to Religion and hurtfull to peace and unity among us: and I now make a demand of all thoſe that have any thing to object againſt my Principals to come to me and tell me y^e very particular article they object againſt, to ſe if I cant ſatiſfie them, and if I dont ſatiſfie them, then to bring it to the Church, or elſe to hold your peace forever hereafter: And this in order that the matter may be healed among ourſelves, according to the advice of the Aſſociation:— Brethren, if it be your minds that thoſe that have any thing to object againſt my Principals ſhould do as I have now demanded of them, manifeſt it by lifting up the hand. Voted in y^e Affirmative."

INDUSTRIES.—Azariah Wright was the mason, Stephen Crowfoot and Daniel Wright the carpenters, Joseph Burt the cordwainer, and Benj. Miller, the tanner, through the period covered by this chapter. John Alexander was the tailor till his removal to Fort Dummer in '33. Samuel Smith opened a blacksmith's shop about 1730. Thomas Taylor commenced work as cordwainer as early as '40 or '41. John Mun the weaver was in Northfield in 1744.

CHAPTER VIII.

The old French and Indian War. 1744–1753.

Fruits of 18 Years of Peace — War Declared — Conduct of New Hampshire — New Forts at Northfield — Cordon of Forts — Northfield Militia Company — William Phipps — Nehemiah How — No. 4 — Upper Ashuelot — Joshua Holton — Capt. Daniel Paine's Troop — Capt. Josiah Brown's — Capt. Joseph How's — Indian Raids — The Killing of Young Benjamin Wright — Attack on Shattuck's Fort — Capt. Stevens's Defence of No. 4 — Killing of Nathaniel Dickinson and Asahel Burt — New Line of Forts Projected — Sieur Raimbault — John Smead — New School House — Lt. John Sergeant's Death — Discouragements and Difficulties — Capt. Melvin's Scout — Col. Stoddard's Death — Capt. Hobbs's Fight — Sergt. Thomas Taylor's Encounter — The Killing of Aaron Belding — Peace — Death of Rev. Mr. Doolittle — Mr. Isaac Lyman — Robert Cooper — Effects of the War — Rev. John Hubbard's Settlement — Pushing up Northward — Pasturing the Commons — Shepherds — Fourth and Fifth Divisions of Commons — Industries.

THE present chapter opens at the end of 18 years of assured peace in the Connecticut valley. Besides the forts and dwellings near the north line of the Northfield grant, enumerated in the last chapter, several settlements had been projected higher up, and to the eastward of the river. Single adventurers had squatted down, and clusters of farmers had located on spots of fertile meadow, and were laying the foundations of villages and towns.

In the summer of 1736, William Smead, Nathan Blake and Seth Heaton broke ground at Upper Ashuelot (Keene); and the plantation was now increased to a considerable village. The same year a few huts were put up at Arlington (Winchester); and settlers moved on so rapidly that in Nov. 1743 an assessment of £80 was laid on polls and estates. There were on the list, 23 resident families and individuals who paid a poll tax, besides 11 non-resident land owners. In 1739, Richard Ellis and his son Reuben built a dwelling house (log hut) and broke up 5 or 6 acres of land in township No. 1 (Westminster) on the west side of the river. Seth Tisdale and John Barney were with them. In 1740, John Kilburn started from Wethersfield, Conn., stopped at Northfield with his family where he was taxed 1741, and then moved on to No. 3 (Walpole). In 1742 or '43, Nehemiah How of Grafton Mass., William Phipps, Daniel Rugg of Lancaster, with their families, Robert Baker and others settled at Great Meadow (Putney), made a clearing, built a fort, and in the space of three years had gathered a considerable stock of cattle. And there is some evidence that, at the same date, Daniel How, Thomas Crisson and others from Rutland Mass. made a clearing and built huts on the opposite side of the river at No. 2. (Westmoreland).

As early as 1740, three families by the name of Farnsworth from Lunenburg Mass. commenced a settlement at No. 4. (Charlestown). They were joined by Isaac Parker from Groton, John Spafford, Capt. Phinehas Stevens, and others, and in '43 built a corn-mill and fort. In '44 they put up a saw-mill, and were then described as "nine or ten families who lived in huts near to each other," and depended for protection on the fort.

1744. War was declared by France against Great Britain, March 15; and on the 29th England declared war against France in return. Intelligence of the opening of hostilities was not received in Boston till towards the end of May, though it had been known in Canada a month earlier, which gave the French an important advantage.

This contest between the powers over the water, meant for New England a war with the Indians, with a repetition of all the atrocities and distress of former struggles with the savages.

The Canadian government had been preparing for such an outbreak for many years. In 1731, they erected Fort St. Frederick, afterwards known as Crown Point, which gave them the absolute control of Lake Champlain; and, what was quite as important, afforded a base of operations, and magazine for provisions and ammunition, and an asylum and cover for war parties returning from our valley with prisoners and spoils.

The number of Indians then in direct league with the French, according to a statement prepared by Gov. Clinton of New York, was about 600. The Cagnowagas were about 230; the Missisqueeks (Gray Lock's old tribe) 40; Abenaques at St. Francis, 90; etc. All these tribes were located at points convenient to strike the western New England borders.

At this date the block-houses above Northfield were in good condition. Fort Dummer had been lately repaired; and the new forts above the Ashuelot, and at Great Meadow and No. 4, were reasonably strong — though they were not manned.

But our frontiers were taken by surprise, and were really in a poor condition for effective warfare. Massachusetts and New Hampshire were more directly exposed; and to make effectual resistance to assaults from the north, or to carry the war into Canada, there was need of united counsels and harmonious action. But the two Provinces were at bitter variance. The arbitrary decision of the boundary question caused wounds that were not readily healed. And the course pursued by New Hampshire at this juncture evinced a singular lack of comity and friendliness. Notwithstanding she had got the territory, she refused to defend the people living upon it. The following declaration of the New Hampshire Assembly May 3, 1745, when called upon to man the forts and protect the settlers on the Connecticut, shows *the spirit* which controlled her people throughout the entire period of the war. "The fort [Dummer] was 50 miles distant from any towns which had been settled by the government or people of New Hampshire: that the people had no right to the lands which, by the dividing line, had fallen within New Hampshire, notwithstanding the plausible arguments which had been used to induce them to bear the expense of the line, namely, that the land would be given to them or else would be sold to pay that expense; that the charge of maintaining that fort, at so great a distance, and to which there was no communication by roads would exceed what had been the whole expense of government before the line was established; that if they should take upon them to maintain this fort, there was another much better and more convenient fort at a place called Number-Four, besides several other settlements, which they should also be obliged to defend; and finally that there was no danger that these forts would want support, since it was the interest of Massachusetts, by whom they were erected, to maintain them as a cover to their frontiers."[1]

A second source of weakness in the conduct of the war, was the want of ammunition and stores for the prompt despatch of scouts and relief parties. Nothing was ready for emergencies. "Nobody may move till an account is sent to the chief colonel; and then the men must be mustered; and by the time the commissary can furnish the men with provisions, their time is expired."[2] Third, "it is observable that the continual changing of schemes renders all measures for the war unsuccessful. Before any one single scheme is tried, it is flung up, and nothing ever prosecuted to advantage: There is scarcely any one scheme of more than six months continuance."[1] Another cause, which could not be obviated, but which had most important consequences, was the perfect knowledge of our situation possessed by the savages. For a series of years the Indians had come to trade at the Truck-house, and were free to hunt and rove at pleasure. They lived in all the towns, and went in and out of the houses of settlers — often sleeping at night by the kitchen fire; and were thus perfectly acquainted with the state of the forts, and fields, and habits of the people. The six Indian commissioners that were maintained by our government at the Truck-house for ten years, receiving regular pay and rations, left the hour that the war-cloud appeared.

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[1] Belknap's *History of New Hampshire.* Farmer's Ed., p. 286.

[2] Doolittle's *Narrative.*

At this date, John Stoddard of Northampton was colonel of the Hampshire regiment of militia. On the declaration of War, Col. Stoddard was charged with the general superintendence of the defences on the western frontiers: Capt. Ephraim Williams was put in command of the cordon of forts; Maj. Israel Williams was appointed commissary, with Capt. Josiah Willard at Fort Dummer and Ebenezer Hinsdell at Hinsdell's fort, under-commissarys. This list of officers will need to be kept in mind in order to understand many facts and references in the papers which follow.

Capt. Benjamin Wright, who took so important a part in preceding wars, died in 1743; but some of the Northfield men who had had experience in fighting the Indians were still able for service. Dea. Ebenezer Alexander, though in his 60th year, was vigorous and retained the old war spirit. Robert Cooper, though less able was ready on emergency to take the war path. Other names will be found in their place on the muster-rolls. But the Northfield men to be made prominent in the scenes to be now depicted, were mostly new in military command. The officers of the Northfield militia Co. in 1743, were Zechariah Field, Captain, Samuel Hunt, Lieutenant, and Hezekiah Stratton, Ensign. Stratton, now in his 55th year, had been distinguished for wood-craft and skill in marking out new land-grants, rather than a taste for warlike adventure. He and Gaius Field were appointed chainmen in laying out Arlington, and many other special and township grants which required thorough knowledge of the lay of the land and points of compass, as well as hardihood and endurance. And his intimate acquaintance with the country and with the Indians, and their hiding places, and his known courage, induced the authorities to confide to him special military trusts.

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[1] Doolittle's *Narrative*.

THE NEW FORTS. — Dea. Ebenezer Alexander appears to have scented the war from afar, and in the winter of '43-4 made preparation to fortify his premises. Early in the spring he built a *mount* on the rise of land to the east of his dwelling-house. It was started as a private enterprise, but was afterwards accepted and the cost paid by the town. The mount, which was made of heavy timbers, two stories high, with look-out and roof, formed the easterly end of a fort, which extended down the slope towards the street and enclosed the buildings and yard. The sides and west end were of stout posts and planks. The mount was finished before May 25, as this bill of labor and a part of the materials, presented to the town on that day, shows:

Acct. of Work done at Dea. Alexander's mount.

Ebenezer Alexander's accompt — To a hand 11 days,	£4	4	0
To carting a load of boards,	0	4	0
To 3 cattle ½ a day,	0	3	9
To timber for rafters and girts to lay the floor,	0	5	0
Pedajah Field's accompt — To 2 day's hewing of timber,	1	4	0
John Holton's acct. — 8 day's work & horſe ½ a day,	3	5	3
Eben^r Petty's acct. — 7 day's work & oxen part of a day,	2	19	6
Simeon Alexander — 3½ day's work,	1	8	0
Joſhua Holton — 2½ day's work and horſe half a day,	1	1	3
Richard Chamberlain — 2 day's work,	0	16	0
John Petty — 4½ day's work and horſe ½ a day,	1	17	3
Thomas Wier — 4 day's work,	1	12	0
John Brown — 4½ day's work and oxen 1½ days,	2	1	6
Ebenezer Webb — 3½ day's work,	1	8	0
John Avery — 5½ day's work hewing and framing and raiſing,	2	15	0
Hezekiah Elmer — 2½ day's work,	1	0	0
Benoni Wright — 1 day,	0	8	0
Iſaac Warner — 1 day,	0	8	0
Aaron Burt — 430 lbs. nails,	0	15	0
Joſeph Stebbins — 1 day hand and team,	1	6	0
Nathaniel Dickinſon — 800 ft. of boards,	2	18	0
Joſeph Petty Jr. — 415 ft. planks,	2	10	0
Joſeph Stebbins — 1 day,	0	8	0
Eben^r Warner — 1 day,	0	8	0
Total,	£36	1	6

April 27. The legislature being about to adjourn for a month, Gov. Shirley sent in a message asking that, in case "advices of a rupture with France should arrive during the recess, and it be necessary to provide for the defence of the frontiers," he might have power to act at discretion; and the same was granted. He received information of the declaration of war, about May 21st or 22d, and immediately sent orders to Col. Stoddard, who notified the town officers of Northfield. And early in the morning May 24, a warrant

was issued by the selectmen of Northfield, calling a town meeting at 6 o'clock in the afternoon of said day (on 12 hours' notice) to determine 1. whether the town will come into some regular method for the defence of the town, by building forts and mounts. 2. To determine what houses shall be so fortified. 3. To choose a committee to see to the carrying of said forts and mounts. The matter was referred to a committee. And at a meeting held June 9, the town *voted*, To build four mounts at the following men's houses, viz. Capt. Zechariah Field's, Dea. Ebenezer Alexander's, Rev. Mr. Doolittle's, Nathaniel Dickinson's — said mounts to be 19 feet high, boarded up 12 feet, and lined with plank in the second story 7 feet; the whole to be surrounded with a stockade. *Voted*, that the selectmen be authorized to employ some persons to apply to the General Court for soldiers to guard us, and money to pay for the forts.

Some of the framed houses built near this date, were brick lined; some had the upper story projecting, with holes cut for firing down upon assailants. Dea. Alexander's, Zechariah Field's, and landlord Field's were brick lined; Nathaniel Dickinson's had brick ends.

But the people did not wait for the formal action of the town. The mount at Dea. Alexander's was substantially finished before the first meeting: and May 25, Lt. Jona. Belding commenced sawing out mount timber; and June 6, work was begun at Nathaniel Dickinson's, and the mount and fort finished June 26. The cost of materials was £33 4 8: cost of labor, £34 0 4.

The mount at Mr. Doolittle's cost £18 7 6. The cost of Mr. Doolittle's fort, and the mount and stockade at Zechariah Field's have not been ascertained. The four mounts were completed at once; but the work at some of the stockades was delayed. An article in the town warrant the next March, was, "to choose a committee to finish Dea. Alexander's fort." This was the strongest and largest of the four defences, and was reckoned the most important.

May 31. The legislature met according to adjournment, and Gov. Shirley says in his message, "I have sometime since received advices that the war between Great Britain and ffrance which had been long expected, is now publickly declared on both sides." At the session, Sabbath June 2, *voted*, that 500 men be impressed out of the foot companies and ordered to march under such officers to such parts of the frontiers as may be deemed best, there to be placed in garrison, or employed in scouring the woods, as the circumstances require, to be furnished with provisions and ammunition for a term not exceeding 3 weeks. Two hundred of these troops were sent to the western frontiers.

June 11. Col. Stoddard directs Maj. Williams "to send 10 men more from his regiment for the protection of Northfield, to finish the detachment already begun."

June 13, the legislature ordered 500 more men to be raised for the defence of the frontiers, said levies "to be paid till the 15th day of October and no longer." But provision was made for the subsistence of only 200 of this last levy, and no more were mustered into service.

June 14, an order was passed by the legislature for building a line of fortifications between Colrain and the Dutch settlements in New York. In pursuance of this vote, three forts were constructed: one — and the strongest — at East Hoosuck (Adams), named Fort Massachusetts; one, named Fort Pelham on the high country in Rowe; the other, named Fort Shirley, in Heath. In addition to these forts, which were built at the expense of the Province, several block-houses were erected at individual or town charge. Two such block-houses were built in Colrain, one in Fall-town, and one in Greenfield. These, like the forts at Northfield, were in part manned by soldiers in the public pay, and in part by the owners and inhabitants.

Forts Massachusetts, Dummer and No. 4, were the strong outposts; and Northfield was the strategic point of chief importance as a rallying centre for men and depot of stores, for the forts and men above. In June, Corp. Elias Alexander was transferred from Fort Dummer, and put in charge of the garrisons at Northfield. The rations allowed the troops on the frontiers at this date were: *In garrison*, 1℔. bread, ½ pint beans or peas, per day; 2℔s. pork for 3 days; 1 gall. molasses for 42 days. *On the march*, 1℔. bread, 1℔. pork, 1 gill of rum per day.

The season was consumed in these preparations, with no interruptions from the enemy.

Sabbath Oct. 13, the General Court passed an order, that the pay of men in the service be stopped on the 15th. "But inasmuch as it may be necessary for some marching scouts to be employed in the winter, *ordered*, that 12 men out of each of the 5 snow-shoe companies in the western parts, amounting to 60 in all, be detached and sent out under a captain commissioned for that purpose, to scout and range the woods for the four months next coming, their march to be from Contoocook on the Merrimack river to the westward as far as the Captain-General shall think best."

1745. The seige and capture of Louisburg, distinguished the spring of this year, and concentrated the energies of the government. Dea. Ebenezer Alexander was an officer in this expedition, "where he had the good fortune to take a French captive." He held a captain's commission, and appears to have been in command of a company raised in this vicinity.

Under the call for volunteers for frontier service, Hezekiah Stratton and another Northfield man enlisted. The following papers explain themselves :

> " I am heartily glad that Ens. Stratton is enliſted : I look upon him as a fit man to have y^e command of y^e men poſted at Northfield, and appoint him to have y^e charge of them and to appoint another under him in his abſence. I have ordered Corp. Alexander back to Fall-town by reaſon his family is there.
> Fort Shirley July 17, 1745. EPHRAIM WILLIAMS.
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> " To Enſign Stratton, Sr : I deſire you to ſee that y^e ſoldiers lodge at y^e forts, and likewiſe deſire you and the commanding officers [of militia] to conſult in what manner is beſt to guard y^e people in their buſineſs, and conduct accordingly till further orders, who am y^{rs} to ſerve. E. WILLIAMS.
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> " Enſign Stratton : If you have no man among you that is fit to head a ſcout as Alexander, ſend for him, for he ſhall have corporal's pay whether he does any more than have a care of the ſcout. He has been in y^e ſervice you know a great while. I know nothing but he has behaved well.
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> EPH^m WILLIAMS."

No record of the scout that went out at this time under Corp. Alexander has been found. The bounty offered by the Massachusetts government for Indian scalps this year, was 100 pounds *new tenor*.

Capt. Josiah Willard had 20 men at Fort Dummer — barely sufficient for guard duty and to keep open his line of communication. Col. Eben^r. Hinsdell kept his own garrison ; and Capt. Phinehas Stevens was at No. 4, without men.

The first mischief done in the valley in this war, was on the 5th of July, when a small party of Indians captured William Phipps as he was hoeing in his corn-field at the south-west corner of Great Meadow (Putney). Two of them took him into the woods about half a mile, when one of the Indians went back for something which he had left, and Phipps, watching his chance struck down his keeper with his hoe ; and then with the disabled Indian's gun shot down the other as he came up the hill on his return. Phipps instantly started for the fort, but unfortunately was met by three others of the party, who seized, killed and scalped him. On the 10th, the same or another party waylaid and scalped Dea. Josiah Fisher at Upper Ashuelot, as he was driving his cows to pasture.

On receipt of the news of these assaults, Capt. Ebenezer Alexander, who had enlisted a company under the governor's call, was ordered out, and kept in service scouting the woods and guarding the towns, from July 12 to Sept. 8. The company numbered 56 men; mostly from the lower towns in Hampshire county. This was the time when Ensign Stratton was put in charge of the forts at Northfield, and Corp. Alexander was sent out on a scout.

Oct. 11. About four score French and Indians assaulted the fort at the Great Meadow, and took captive Nehemiah How, and killed David Rugg, coming down the river in a canoe. How and Rugg were both residents at Putney. The former had been at work cutting wood 40 rods from the fort, and was on his way back when he was set upon and seized, and hurried off into a swamp, where he was pinioned. His captors were seen and fired upon from the fort; one was killed, another mortally wounded, and a third who had hold of Mr. How had a bullet shot through his powder horn. The ward, who was on the look-out at the time told Dea. Wright, "he thought the number of the enemy that came in sight of the fort was about 50; when he first saw them there was 8 of them stript and without their guns, in pursuit of Mr. How. When he saw that they would catch him, he turned, and with his hands lifted up, resigned himself into their hands. The enemy were in the meadow scarce an hour, including the attack on the fort and killing the cattle.[1]" Little damage was done to the fort; but all the cattle were killed; the best parts of the flesh of some, and the hides of all were carried away by the retreating savages. Rugg and another (Thomas Baker) were met, coming down the river in a canoe. The former was shot and scalped; the latter escaped. Mr. How was conducted by way of Lake George and Crown Point to Canada, and died at Quebec May 25, 1747. [See Genealogy.]

As soon as the assault was known at Northfield, Ens. Stratton with 10 men started for Fort Dummer. This was on Saturday. At ten o'clock that night, they were joined by 29 men from Deerfield. And Sabbath morning the party, including as many as could be spared from the garrison, set out from Fort Dummer, under command of Col. Willard, and reached the fort at Great Meadow at 2 o'clock. Learning what they could from the ward and soldiers there, they followed the enemy's track till near sunset, when they came to the point where the Indians scattered in different directions. Here they camped for the night. On Monday Col. Willard and his force started for No. 4; when within about 7 miles of this place they struck the tracks of Indians; but the Indians themselves had disappeared. Resting at No. 4, on Tuesday the scout set out to return, by way of Upper Ashuelot, and reached Northfield on Wednesday.

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[1] Dea. Noah Wright's Journal: *N. E. Hist. Gen. Register*, II, 207.

Small bodies of soldiers were posted at the forts, and at some of the towns, through the winter. Maj. Edward Hartwell with his company was ordered into garrison at Northfield, and remained until spring. 300 pairs of snow-shoes were sent to Hampshire Co. for use in scouting.

1746. Both the French and English governments laid plans for important campaigns this season. The English intended to invade Canada; and the French designed to destroy the forts at East Hoosuck, No. 4, Upper Ashuelot, and Fort Dummer, which would lay open the more important frontier towns.

Capt. Phinehas Stevens was the first of our commanders astir. March 11, he set out with 49 men, as he says, "to save the fortress at No. 4 from falling into the enemy's hands, and arrived there in time." April 19, a party of French and Indians under Ens. De Niverville, who had been watching the town [No. 4,] waylaid a party of workmen who were going with a team of 4 oxen to the mill, which was at some distance from the garrison, killed the oxen, and carried the men, Capt. John Spafford, Lt. Isaac Parker and Stephen Farnsworth captives to Canada. They also burnt both the saw and grist-mills.

April 23. The General Court passed an order for raising from the several regiments of militia, 178 men to be sent to the western frontiers; and 93 men more who were inhabitants of the western towns to be employed there, proportioned in the following manner: 4 at No. 4; 2 at Great Meadow (which shows that this settlement was not abandoned); 4 at Upper Ashuelot; 4 at Lower Ashuelot; 4 at Winchester; 4 at Colrain; 4 at Fall-town; 6 at Northfield; 6 at Deerfield; etc., the said men to be employed in guarding and scouting in and near the towns to which they respectively belong; pay and subsistence to continue till Nov. 1, next. And for the encouragement of scouting and ranging parties, the following bounties were offered, viz. for male captives over 12 years old, 80 pounds; under 12, 42 pounds, and the same for females of any age. For scalps of males over 12, 75 pounds; under 12, 36 pounds 10 shillings 6 pence, and the same for scalps of females of any age. Also a bounty for enlistments of 25 shillings; and 25 shillings per month for pay and 25 shillings for billeting.

A previous order had been issued to Capt. Stevens to raise a company of 60 men. And it was now voted, that 30 of these men should be posted at No. 4, there to do duty, while the other 30 marches into the enemy's country, and so they are to take turns to guard, and go to the places where the Indians dwell and hunt.

The same day that these orders were passed — April 23 — about 50 Indians came to Upper Ashuelot, intending to rush into the garrison just as the people should come out in the morning to go to their work; but a man who had gone out early saw them and gave the alarm. They however shot down John Bullard, stabbed Daniel McKeeney's wife, took Nathan Blake, burnt 7 buildings and killed 23 head of cattle. Mrs. McKeeney had been milking her cow at the barn near by, and was returning with her pail, when an Indian rushed up and struck a long knife into her back; but she continued her walk to near the gate of the fort, where she fell and expired.

Near this date, Joshua Holton of Northfield was sent to Boston to receive the money due the Northfield families for billeting Maj. Hartwell and his men the preceding winter. The money, £46 0 7½, was paid to him; and while on the home journey he was waylaid, April 26, by a party of Indians, on the road west of Lunenburg, who killed and scalped him, and made off with the money. On the petition of Rev. Mr. Doolittle and others, in which the above facts are recited, the General Court ordered the sum to be made up to them.

An immense body of the enemy was now out, as is shown by the fact that nearly simultaneous attacks were made at widely scattered points. May 2, Seth Putnam was shot, at No. 4, about 60 rods from the fort. May 4, Upper Ashuelot was beset. May 6, Dea. Timothy Brown and Robert Moffatt were taken, at Lower Ashuelot. May 9, Fall-town was assaulted; the same day two men were fired upon by Indians near Fort Massachusetts. May 10, they waylaid the road at Colrain, killed Matthew Clark, and wounded his wife and daughter.

On learning these facts, Gov. Shirley May 15, ordered three troops of horse sent up to the upper Connecticut valley. Capt. Daniel Paine of Dudley with his company passed through Northfield the 22d, and reached No. 4 the next day. On the morning of the 24th, twenty of his men went out to see the place where Seth Putnam was killed, and fell into an ambush. As a graphic picture of the affair and its consequents, the story as told by an actor, is here inserted:

> "The petition of Ebenezer Bacon of Dudley, ſheweth — That y^r Petitioner was in the ſervice of the Province at No. 4, in the month of May 1746, a quartermaſter of a troop of Horſe under the command of Capt. Daniel Paine: That in a little time after the troop arrived there, a number of them were ſo imprudent as to go out of the fort not properly armed, to view the ſituation of the place, which y^r petitioner obſerved, and immediately followed them well

armed. When y^e Indians, greatly ſuperior in numbers fired on y^e men, and killed ſome ; and y^r petitioner has good reaſon to think he not only killed a principal and foremoſt Indian, by means whereof he ſaved ſome of the men's lives and ſtopped the Indians purſuing them. That while y^r petitioner was thus engaged, he received from an ambuſcade of Indians a number of ſhot, five of which are ſtill remaining in him, and ſeveral went through the extreme parts of his body. Notwithſtanding which he eſcaped and got into the fort, where he ſtayed about 5 or 6 weeks, and then with great difficulty got home ; and it was ſo much longer before he was cured ſo as to be able to do anything. That while he was at No. 4, it ſeems he was boarded and nurſed with one John Spafford who (now near nine years after he was wounded) has commenced an action againſt him for forty ſhillings lawful money therefor, as by y^e writ and account appear — That y^r petitioner has obtained a continuation of the action that he might bring the caſe before y^r Excellency and Honors — Prays for a ſum ſufficient to pay the demand above mentioned, together with the charge and trouble he was in traveling out and home near 100 miles to anſwer to ſaid action, and the charges for ſupporting a number of perſons bringing y^r petitioner to Northfield, and alſo the great expenſe he was at to get home."

The General Court *ordered*, "That the sum of £5 10 be paid to the petitioner to enable him to discharge the debt mentioned in the petition, and the charges arising on the s^d action."

In the skirmish that ensued, the Indians were beaten off, leaving behind 13 blankets, 5 coats, 1 gun and some other things. Five Indians were killed. Aaron Lyon, Peter Perrin, Joseph Marcy of Capt. Paine's troop, Samuel Farnsworth, Elijah Allen belonging to the fort, were killed ; Obadiah Sartwell was taken prisoner.

A plan was projected at this time for the invasion of Canada by a large force. The records of the General Court show that, June 2, a committee was appointed "to provide supplies for the intended expedition against Canada ;" and the governor issued a proclamation on the subject. Many young men and others enlisted, partly for the sake of the bounty, partly for the excitement of such an enterprise, and partly because they preferred service in the open field to the confined life of the garrison. But the plan miscarried. "Great numbers were kept in pay and idleness for more than a year, to the ruin of many of them, and the hurt of the country."[1]

June 3. The legislature voted that 207 men be raised and added to the 440 already posted on the western frontiers ; 46 of whom were to be posted on or near the Connecticut river above Northfield ; and 50 to be a company under proper officers, to range the woods with 50 large dogs. The company of Rangers was put in command of Capt.

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[1] Doolittle's *Narrative.*

Eleazar Melvin of Concord, who was one of Capt. Lovewell's men in the fight with Paugus.

After a short stay at No. 4, Capt. Paine was relieved by Capt. Josiah Brown and his troop from Sudbury and Framingham. Soon after reaching No. 4, Capt. Stevens and Capt. Brown with about 50 men started to go to the meadow to look after some horses, when by the action of the dogs, they had intimation of an ambush, which they shortly discovered near a causeway they were intending to cross. They were moving cautiously, when one of Capt. B's men caught sight of an Indian lying flat on the ground, and fired upon him, when the whole ambush arose and fired in return. "Our men were commanded to stop there and fight them, which they did, and drove the Indians off from their ground, and got upon it and maintained it in spite of them. Ours received the loss of no men, but four or five were wounded. They sent a party of men to carry the wounded to the fort, and the rest maintained the fight and stood them manfully. After the fight was over they found where the Indians drew off several of their dead into a swamp. Capt. Stevens sent down a troop of men to guard Mr. Doolittle and Dr. Williams [of Deerfield] to cut off the arm of one of the soldiers that was sore wounded, broke as they supposed, that the end would not be healed without cutting off one of his arms. I have been told that our men recover so much plunder, guns, hatchets, spears, lines, and such like things as they sold for seventy or eighty pounds."[1] David Parker and Jedediah Winchell of Capt. Stevens's men were wounded, the latter mortally: Jona. Stanhope and Cornet Noah Eaton, both of Framingham, were wounded but recovered. This fight was on June 19. While Capt. Brown was stationed at No. 4, his horses were sent down and subsisted for a month at Northfield. In the absence of funds to pay for forage, sub-commissary Hinsdell had "to pledge his word" to the Northfield farmers, and both parties had sore trials of patience before the money came to pay the charges.

Having drawn our troops to the extreme northern border, the Indians concentrated nearer Northfield. June 24, a party of them came to Bridgman's fort, and surprised some men who were at work in the meadow a little distance below the fort. They killed William Robbins and James Barker of Springfield; wounded Michael Gilson and Patrick Ray, and took Daniel How Jr. and John Beaman, the latter a Northfield man. Beaman shot one of the Indians before he was taken.

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[1] Dea. Noah Wright's *Journal*.

The same day, as a scout of 12 men, under Capt. Timothy Carter, was resting at a place called Cold Spring, a little below Fort Dummer, a skulking party of Indians suddenly fell upon them, and captured a part of their arms — though the men all escaped. James McLellan, an apprentice to Willis Hall of Sutton, lost a gun valued at 15 pounds, and his coat and waistcoat which cost his master 10 pounds — so says his petition. July 3, a party of about 12 Indians ambushed Col. Hinsdell's lane below his mill. Col. Willard, with a team and guard of 20 men crossed over from Fort Dummer and went down to get a grist. By some means he detected the ambush; but went directly to the mill and set it running, and then made a dash for the savages who were hid about 30 rods below. The Indians rose and fired and shot off two of Moses Wright's fingers; but our men drove them from their cover, and took all their packs, which proved to be worth 40 pounds old tenor.

In July, Capt. Joseph How of Marlboro' with his troop, was sent up to relieve Capt. Brown. He had a company of 38 men, mostly belonging to Marlboro' and Southboro.' But cavalry was not adapted for Indian warfare. The difficulty of getting forage, except by turning the horses upon the meadows where they could be shot or stampeded; and the impossibility of preserving the order and silence necessary for scouting, were fatal objections to this arm of the service.

Aug. 3, while Capt. How was there, an army of French and Indians came upon No. 4, and kept up the siege for two days. They killed 16 horses belonging to Capt. How's men,[1] and all the cattle owned by the settlers, burnt the mill (which had been rebuilt) and all the houses, save one that stood near the stockade. One man, Ebenezer Phillips, was killed. Having done this mischief the enemy withdrew at his leisure. As soon as the news of this disaster reached Boston, the governor issued orders to Capt. Ephraim Brown and Capt. Winchester "to go with their troops of horse to No. 4, and carry as great a quantity of provisions as they conveniently can, and relieve the garrison, and hold the place; and upon their return in the fall, they are to guard off as many of the women and children as may conveniently leave the place." At the opening of winter, all but 6 men were dismissed; and in January they deserted the fort.

Aug. 6, thirty Indians came to Winchester and waylaid the road over against Benjamin Melvin's house. Several of our men had business to pass by, not knowing of the ambush, and were fired upon. Joseph Rawson was killed and Amasa Wright wounded; the rest escaped to the fort, though the Indians fired thick after them. The same party ambushed the road to Lower Ashuelot. A squad of soldiers was passing, and just as they came where the Indians lay, they turned out of the path ; seeing which the Indians supposed that they were discovered, and that the English were rounding them in, rose up and fled through thick and thin. Ours gave chase, but the Indians outran and escaped them. *Dea. Wright's Journal.*

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LXXIII, 274.

August 11. This day the first mischief was done at Northfield. The mounts were so situated as to command a view of the entire village and the meadows ; and the soldiers in garrison here, together with the almost constant passing and repassing of troops had proved an effectual protection. Probably most of the families slept at night within the different stockades. This morning, the milch cows owned at the lower end of the street were sent out to pasture in the south lane and the commons beyond Dry Swamp. Just at evening, Benjamin Wright (aged 21, son of Remembrance) started on horseback, with his gun as usual, to bring them in. He found them on the Commonwealth, and was following the sound of the bell on the leader (as he supposed), when he was fired upon by a small party of Indians in ambush. A ball entered his side and came out at the shoulder opposite. Wheeling, he supported himself by laying his gun across the pommel of the saddle, and reached the street. When opposite the house of Seth Field, he was seen to reel ; the horse was stopped, and he was carried into the house, where he died about midnight. It is a tradition that the Indians watched his funeral from the top of Round Knob.

The same day the Indians were in the thickets east of Merry's meadow, and hung up a white flag in sight of Shattuck's fort, probably as a decoy ; and on the 15th, they shot upon 4 men who were near the fort, but without damage.

Aug. 20, happened one of the most serious events of the war. This was the surrender and destruction of Fort Massachusetts at East Hoosuck. Serg^t John Hawks was in command, and had at this time a chaplain and 20 men. Three of the men had with them their wives and (7) children. The French and Indian army under Gen. Rigaud de Vaudreuil numbered 800. After a gallant defence of 24 hours, Sergt. Hawks surrendered, *for want of ammunition.* He had 2 men killed ; the rest were carried prisoners to Quebec. The fort was burnt. For a full and most interesting account of this affair, see "Norton's Redeemed Captive." After the destruction of this fort, a detachment of about 30 of Vaudreuil's Indians came down to Deerfield, and on the 25th killed 5, wounded 1, and took 1 captive.

Nothing is heard, this fall, of Capt. Melvin and his 50 rangers with their dogs, only that, as the legislature failed to provide subsistence for the dogs, Col. Stoddard is ordered, Nov. 12, "to dispose of them." The use of dogs is hereafter abandoned, as they proved of little service in tracking Indians.

1747. This year opened with gloomy prospects for our western frontiers. The destruction of Fort Massachusetts, opened the way to expeditions that should come by the southern route; and the dismantling of No. 4, left the northern route in a measure unguarded. And New Hampshire still refused to supply men or means for the defence of her river border.

In February, Capt. Stevens sent a memorial to Gov. Shirley, shewing:

> "That he has been employed in the ſervice of the government ever ſince the commencement of the preſent war, and has had conſiderable opportunity to obſerve the methods the French and Indians uſe in carrying it on. And would beg leave to ſuggeſt ſome things that appear to me would be profitable for the publick. No. 4. is ſituate upon Connecticut river about 45 miles above Northfield; on which place (No. 4), the enemy have been continually endeavoring to do ſpoil, and many great advantages have been loſt for want of a ſuitable number of ſoldiers at that garriſon. Fort Maſſachuſetts (that was) is ſituate about 34 miles weſt from Deerfield, and is the proper road of an enemy coming upon our frontiers when they come by Wood Creek and the Drownded Lands, as No. 4 is when they come by Otter Creek. Now it appears to me that if 100 men were early ſent to each of theſe poſts, ſay by the latter end of March, and ſuitable encouragement was given them to go and waylay the ſtreams the enemy come upon when they iſſue out from Crown Point, they might be very much diſcouraged in coming in ſmall parties as heretofore; which in my opinion will be of the greateſt ſervice to the publick, and the only effectual method to carry on the war. If anything be done, it ſhould be done early in the ſpring, as it is evident from paſt experience that this enemy will be down by the firſt of April. There is one thing which I have obſerved while among the Indians, they are a people which are greatly elated and flaſhed up when they have ſucceſs and as ſoon diſcouraged when they are diſappointed."[1]

Acting on the idea embodied in his paper, Capt. Stevens started with a company of 30 rangers, as soon as the snow was gone, for No 4. He found the fort uninjured, and the dog and cat, left alone since January, in tolerable condition; and at once set about making things comfortable, and strengthening his defences.

Mar. 19, Capt. Melvin came to Northfield with a company of 60 rangers, and made his head-quarters here till September.

Simultaneously with these movements of our troops, the French fitted out an immense army, and sent it in large detachments to different points on the frontier.

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LXXIII, 57.

Mar. 30, thirty or forty Indians suddenly appeared at Shattuck's fort. In the night they prepared faggots of dried spruce and pitch pine boughs, and placed them against the south end of the fort. Then taking some live coals in a kettle covered with a blanket, they set the faggots on fire, and soon the south half of the fort was in flames, with a strong breeze driving them towards the other half on the opposite side of the brook. But suddenly the wind shifted to the north, and the garrison, with the aid of the water in the brook, saved the north building. Amazed at the sudden change of the wind, the Indians drew off, without attempting any further mischief. The garrison fired at them, and broke the leg of one. The next day Capt. Melvin went up with some of his rangers and some Northfield men, and followed the Indians as far as the Great Meadow, where he caught sight of them, and shot across the river and killed one. Lieut. Jona. Hoyt with 12 men from Deerfield also came up and joined in the pursuit. But the Indians had effected a junction with a still larger body lying to the north.

April 1, the General Court adopted an order, that there be pay and subsistence allowed for a garrison of 20 men to be posted at Northfield; for 20 men in the block-house at Fall-town; 20 men at a new block-house to be built between Fall-town and Colrain; 20 at Colrain; 20 at Fort Shirley; 20 at Fort Pelham; 20 at a new block-house to be built west of Fort Pelham; and 30 at a block-house to be built near where Fort Massachusetts stood; and that two swivel guns be allowed to each block-house except the two west of Pelham, which are to be allowed one swivel and one four pounder each. It was also ordered that scouts be constantly maintained from one block-house to another, and west from Fort Massachusetts; and that a number not exceeding 10 of the inhabitants of Colrain, and 10 of those at Green River above Deerfield be kept in the pay of the Province.

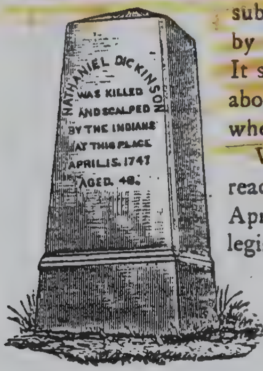
Capt. Stevens had got things in good posture at No. 4, when, April 4, he was furiously assaulted by a large French and Indian army under Mons. Debeline. The assault and defence were alike determined; and many incidents of the siege equal in valor and brilliancy those renowned in ancient story. The French shot fire arrows, and pushed a mantelet loaded with blazing faggots against the fort; but the men inside had dug trenches under the parapet, from which they threw water and extinguished the flames. The siege continued three days; when finding his task hopeless the French commander withdrew. The only casualties to the defenders were the slight wounding of Joseph Ely and John Brown.

A part of Debeline's force steered for Northfield, and lay in ambush to the northward of the town. April 15, a little after sunset they killed and scalped Nathaniel Dickinson and Asahel Burt as they were bringing the cows home from Pauchaug meadow. They then drew off in the night to Winchester and the two Ashuelots, and burnt down these three towns which had the winter before been deserted by the inhabitants, because the soldiers were all drawn off.

The following account of the killing of Mr. Dickinson is given by his grand-daughter, Mrs. Polly Holton, now (1873) 93 years old. "According to the town regulations, the meadows were pastured only in the fall. But owing to the fact that Indians were known to be lurking constantly in the adjacent woods in the autumn of 1746, the owners did not venture to drive their cows upon Pauchaug meadow, and it was thought best to feed it for a while in April. On the 15th, near sundown Mr. Dickinson and Mr. Burt started on horseback to fetch the cows from the meadow. When going up Pauchaug hill near where the monument stands, they were fired upon by the Indians. Dickinson's horse was shot and fell, and he came down with it. Instantly the savages sprang upon him, tomahawked and scalped him. As no guns were allowed to be fired, except when Indians were discovered, the report of the fire-arms directly brought the people from Dea. Alexander's fort to the spot. Mr. Dickinson's eldest son, Ebenezer, was the first to reach him. Finding him still alive, he asked, "Father, who shot you?" He answered, "Indians," and soon expired. The first intimation of the murder received by his wife was when the bleeding body was brought to the door. She was then pregnant, and the shock to her nervous system can be readily understood. And as a striking example of ante-natal impressions, it may be stated that the son, who was named Benoni, born some months after, had the greatest dread of fire-arms, and could not be induced to use them. He could never listen to any tale of Indian warfare; and when drafted into the Revolutionary army, the officers, being informed of his inability to bear arms, assigned him a place in the commissary department. He was also averse to taking the life of any creature. And even to old age he was never known to voluntarily speak of his father's death.

It appears that Burt's horse was also killed, and that he made an attempt to escape by going back to the meadow, but was overtaken at the foot of the hill a few rods to the north, where he was scalped.

Dickinson's horse was on the right hand as they travelled, and his body was found lying a little outside of the road bed. A rude stone was set on the exact spot. Burt's body was in the road, so that a stone could not be placed on the spot; and for convenience it was set close beside that to Dickinson. Both have disappeared; and a substantial granite monument has been erected by some of Dickinson's great-grand children. It stands on the opposite side of the way and about two rods to the northward of the spot where Dickinson was scalped.



When news of the killing of these men reached Boston, the governor immediately, April 21, communicates the intelligence to the legislature, and issues orders to Capt. Thomas Cheney of Dudley to march with his company of 60 troopers to Northfield. He staid here and at Hinsdell's fort a short time. The horses were billeted on our farmers, for which they got no pay. The bill for the subsistence of the company on the march of 60 miles up and return was 75 pounds old tenor. Capt. Cheney also paid Col. Hinsdell for powder and ball 4 pounds 3 shillings 2 pence.

April 23. The General Court passed an order providing that two companies of 42 men each should be stationed at Northfield — the said companies to perform alternately marches of 14 days in ranging the woods, and on duty at the forts and guarding the inhabitants in their labors. But the order was not carried into effect. And as an illustration of the "changing of schemes" — alluded to by Mr. Doolittle — that so weakened our efforts in the prosecution of this war, it may here be noted that the General Court on the first of April ordered a line of block-houses to be built, from Northfield east to Townsend, to be located 4 miles apart, and fully equipped and manned. A committee was appointed to carry the project into execution. As soon as the plan became known at Northfield, a town meeting was called and a committee chosen "to confer and discourse with the General Court's committee respecting the place of setting the block-house in this town, and to transact whatever may be thought necessary and proper in that affair." In a few days the legislature reconsidered its action; then re-ordered the building of the forts; then reconsidered, and the project fell through. The following letter from Col. Stoddard to Gov. Shirley, dated April 22, '47, throws some light on the matter: "I perceive that the Indians are continually about Northfield, and the people there are in a great measure confined to the town. * * When I was at Hadley last Friday, I mentioned to Col. Dwight the taking care of the men at No. 4, but he giving me a short answer, I said no more to him. * * Mr. Alvord told me that last Monday morning, he sent several letters to Col. Dwight at Hatfield, and I have heard several times that he had orders for sending a guard to cover the workmen in building the fortifications, and concluded he would meet the committee and advise with them; but I hear that yesterday afternoon he set off for Brookfield without saying anything to either of us."[1]

The real heroes of this, as of most wars, were the men who either singly or in small squads, penetrated into the enemy's country to seek information and make reprisals. A few, or even one such man, in a garrison or town, would keep up the spirits of the rest, and inspire confidence, and give a sense of safety. We always read over carefully the list of such adventurers; and their names are cherished with a reverential regard, which never attaches to mere rank and official glory.

May 15, a scout of 7 men, viz. Lt. Elias Alexander, Ens. John Sergeant, Joseph Petty, Thomas Taylor, Eleazar Stratton, Daniel Brooks and Jonathan Sartwell, started to range the woods and make discovery of the enemy. They went up as far as Otter Creek, and returned June 8.

Forty of Capt. Melvin's men at Northfield had been detached for garrison duty at Fort Dummer, which left only 20 men as a permanent guard; and the inhabitants were thus liable to be called upon, at this busy season, to watch and ward at the mounts. June 6, Mr. Doolittle in behalf of the town, sent a petition to the General Court, representing their present exposed condition, and praying that they may be allowed some swivel guns and ammunition from the Province, to be placed in their forts as a protection against the Indian enemy. The petition was read and committed; but no definite action resulted.

July 15, Eliakim Sheldon was shot and mortally wounded, as he was hoeing corn in his field, at Fall-town; and a young man was shot through the body in two places, while travelling the road between Fall-town and Northfield.

Aug. 4, a bold adventure was undertaken and carried out by a small scout, consisting of Matthew Clesson and Martin Severance of Deerfield, Moses Harvey of Sunderland,[2] Aaron Terry of Springfield and Aaron Belding of Northfield. They went up to and traversed the Black river, "to discover the motions of the enemy, and see if they were fortifying on or near the same, as had been reported." They were out 22 days. Clesson, who was pilot, received £8 5; the others received £5 5 each.

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LIII, 230.

[2] April 22, 1746, Moses Harvey was shot at by the Indians as he was passing between Northfield and Deerfield, the ball passing thro' the rim of his hat; he returned the fire, and hurried on.

Sieur Raimbault.—An event of much interest to Northfield, happened October 16. The following account is compiled from Rev. Mr. Doolittle's Narrative, and papers still preserved in the Alexander family.

As Capt. Josiah Willard Jr., Capt. Ebenezer Alexander and Dr. Hall were coming from Ashuelot to Northfield, when a little south of the Ashuelot river in Winchester they met some cattle running as if being driven off. Carefully reconnoitering, Capt. Alexander being foremost saw a Frenchman in the path coming towards them. When he saw our men he jumped out of the path behind a tree. Capt. A. fired and shot him in the breast. The Frenchman at once came up to him and saluted him handsomely, but he soon grew faint, and as our men supposed he was dying, they being afraid the Indians were near made haste and left him. After our men were gone, the Indians, attracted by the report of the gun, came to him, and he revived. They carried him to the bank of the stream, where he again fainted; and fearing the English would pursue them, left him and made off for Canada, where they reported him dead. He revived again; and a few days after in wandering about he struck the road to Northfield about 5 miles from the village, which he followed and came in in an almost famished condition, having lived on cranberries and nuts. The first man he met was Capt. Alexander, to whom he resigned himself prisoner. Among his papers was the following commission:

> "I command auſieur Raimbault, cadet in the Troop, to go at the head of forty ſavages to the cities of the government of Orange, in order to make war againſt our enemies of whatever nation they be, armed as warriors; charging him to reſtrain as far as he may be able the ſavages accuſtomed to practice outrages againſt the priſoners whom they take.
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> Montreal 27 Septem. 1747. Signed, Bonberthelot.

The cadet was put under the care of Mr. Doolittle, by whose skill his wound was soon cured. When he had fully regained his strength he was taken to Boston by Capt. Alexander, where he received kind treatment by the authorities. He engaged to use his influence for an advantageous exchange of prisoners, and preparations were made to send him home.

Feb. 8, Lt. John Hawks, Lt. Matthew Clesson and John Taylor of Deerfield started with Raimbault for Canada. They made the journey on snow-shoes, carrying their provisions on their backs. They went by way of No. 4, up the Black river, down Otter Creek, and to Crown Point and so on the usual course over Lake Champlain. After much difficulty and many delays, they secured two captives, Samuel Allen of Deerfield and Nathan Blake of Keene, and returned nearly on their outward route, reaching home April 30.

May 3, Sieur Raimbault, or Sieur Simblin, as he is sometimes named, was sent out with a party of 2 Canadians and 9 upper country Indians on a war expedition against our frontiers, and returned June 19 with five scalps.

Oct. 19, 1747. A party of Indians lay in ambush where the country road between Northfield and Sunderland crossed Miller's river; killed and scalped John Smead of Sunderland as he was returning home from Northfield. The history of this family is strangely interesting. He, with his wife and 5 children, was in garrison at Fort Massachusetts, when that place was surrendered to the French Aug. 20, 1746, and of course all were made prisoners. His wife was delivered of her 6th child in the woods, on the second night after the capitulation. The child was called Captivity, and died at the age of 9 months in Quebec. His wife died March 28. His son John Jr. died April 8. His son Daniel, then a young man, died May 13. With his remaining children be returned from captivity and reached Boston August 16, two months and three days before he met his death, as above.

Oct. 22. About 40 Indians came to Bridgman's fort. They took Jonathan Sartwell, as he was going from Col. Hinsdell's fort into the woods on the west side of the river. The only further record is, "they set fire to and burnt down the fort and Capt. Bridgman's house and barn."

This finished the season's work of destruction in our immediate neighborhood. When the garrison which had been posted at No. 4, was relieved Nov. 14, a squad of 12 of the soldiers passing down the river, was fired upon by Indians almost before they were out of sight of the fort, and Nathaniel Gould and Thomas Goodale were killed, Oliver Avery wounded, and John Henderson taken.

Capt. Phinehas Stevens, with a company of 60 men went into winter quarters at No. 4; Capt. Josiah Willard Jr. with 26 men was stationed at Upper Ashuelot; Capt. Ephraim Williams Jr. with a large company was posted at Fort Massachusetts, which had been rebuilt; Lt. John Catlin with 39 men was posted at Fort Shirley; and Lt. Daniel Severance with 42 men at Colrain. Lt. Elias Alexander, Sergt. John Burk, Sergt. Caleb How, Dr. Bildad Andros and his son Nathaniel, Titus Belding, Josiah Foster, Eleazar Holton, John Henry, Joshua Gerry, of Northfield or associated with our annals, James

Johnson, James Holden, Stephen Johnson, Daniel McKeeney, Joseph Perry, Eleazar Priest, Ebenr. Scott, Charles Stevens, Joshua Train, Matthew Wyman, Moses Walker, were with Capt. Stevens. Lt. Wm. Syms, Corp. Wm. Smead, Thomas Crisson Sen. and Jun., Benoni Wright, Hezekiah Elmer, Joseph Alexander, Benj. Melvin, Thomas Taylor, James, Samuel and William Heaton, Asahel Graves, Jethro Wheeler, William Grimes, and others were with Capt. Willard. On the roll of Lt. Catlin's men, Dec. 10, '47, to June 10, '48, are Amariah Wright of Northfield, Daniel Brewer, William Hutson, Isaac How and John Harris of Framingham, William Crisson of Ashuelot, Thomas Waban of Sherborn, John Fitch of Natick, et als. Sergt. Ebenezer Stratton, Beriah Grandy, Ebenezer Wright and Richard Chamberlain, of Northfield, William Orvis and Martin Ashley of Winchester, James Taylor of Sudbury, Francis Pierce of Hopkinton, and others, were with Lieut. Severance, who also was of Northfield.

1748. A New School House. — At a town meeting held Jan. 18, the town voted to build a new school-house, and chose a committee to erect the new and dispose of the old one. This house was set in the main street, a little north of the meeting house.

There was evidently, on both sides, the feeling and the determination, that this should be the eventful year of the war. Both powers made preparations for an early opening of the campaign. Each was determined to strike the first blow.

The small number of soldiers posted at Northfield the year before, had obliged the inhabitants to do garrison duty, and neglect their fields, and the consequence was great scarcity of provisions. And they felt that, without better protection the coming spring, they must send their families away for safety. They appealed to Col. Stoddard: and he sent the following letter, dated Mar. 1, to Gov. Shirley: "I perceive that the government have allowed more men to Hoosick and No. 4, than can (as I suppose possibly) be subsisted there, unless earlier care had been taken; but find no provision made for Deerfield and Northfield, and some other places more eminently exposed, where the people have for some time been waiting to see what provision will be made for their safety, that they may be able to determine whether to tarry or to remove to places of more safety, which many seem resolute to do, unless they are allowed much greater numbers of men than 'tis probable the government will allow them. Those people, for want of being seasonably guarded last spring, could not sow, and necessarily could not reap, and so are now obliged to go as far as Westfield to buy provisions for their families, which they could have raised in abundance, if protection had been seasonably sent them ; The consequences of these places being deserted have been so often mentioned by me, that I am ashamed oftener to repeat them." * * *

In consequence of this appeal, a bounty of £5, was offered to men who would enlist for one year. And Mar. 7, orders were issued for the posting of soldiers, as follows : at Fort Pelham, 30 ; Fort Shirley, 30 ; Colrain, 15 including 10 inhabitants ; Morrison's, 20 ; Fall-Town, 20 including 6 inhabitants ; Green River, 10 ; Road-town, 10 including 5 inhabitants ; New Salem, 10 including 5 inhabitants ; Fort Dummer, 20 ; the Ashuelots, 25 each. There were already in garrison at Fort Massachusetts, 42 men ; and at No. 4, 60 men. And the governor was instructed by the legislature to send to Connecticut for 200 men, of whom 60 were to go into garrison at Deerfield, and 60 at Northfield. The Connecticut government responded favorably ; and Capt. Leeds and his company from Hartford came up to Northfield about the middle of April, and staid through the spring and most of the summer. But they would do only garrison and guard duty ; refusing to go above the line ; and refusing to obey military orders, except from the Conn. authorities.

Although a large company was in garrison at No. 4, snow-shoes — an essential for winter service — had not been furnished them. Learning this fact, and knowing the helplessness of the soldiers to pursue, a party of about 20 Indians came down on the deep snow, and March 15, attacked 8 men who had gone about 60 rods from the fort to cut wood. Charles Stevens, son of Capt. Phinehas, was killed, Nathaniel Andros wounded, and Eleazar Priest taken captive.

Roll of Capt. Joſiah Willard's Co. at Fort Dummer, Feb. 12, to July 1, 1748.

Capt. Joſiah Willard
Lieut. John Sergeant
Sergt. Nathan Willard
" William Willard
Clerk. Oliver Willard
Samuel Aſhley
Joſhua Wells
Daniel Sergeant
Ebenezer Putnam
Robert Bafford
Moſes Brewer
Eleazar Stratton
Moſes Cooper
Hezekiah Elmer
Daniel Elmer
Simeon Knight
Robert Cooper
Joſeph Willard
Andrew Gardner Jr.
Wilder Willard
Valentine Butler
John Alexander
Joſeph Roſe
Ebenezer Alexander Jr.
Simon Willard
John Fletcher
Andrew Gardner Sen. *Chaplain*
Joſeph Kellogg, *Interpreter.*

March 29, Lieut. John Sergeant, his son Daniel, Moses Cooper, Joshua Wells and another, started from Fort Dummer down the *scout path* to Colrain, for the purpose of cutting some ash timber for oars and paddles. When a little more than a mile from the fort, they were fired upon by an ambush of 12 or 15 Indians. Moses Cooper was mortally wounded at the first fire, but managed with the help of a comrade to reach the fort. Lieut. Sergeant and the two others retreated slowly, firing as they went. The woods were thick and the savages well covered. Wells was soon killed. The Lieut. encouraged his son with the assurance that help would be sent from the fort; dared the skulking enemy to come out and fight like men, and firing as often as an Indian showed himself. When near the fort, Lieut. S. was killed and his son taken captive.

The next day, a company of 7 Northfield men, Capt. Ebenezer Alexander, Aaron Belding, Moses Wright, Moses Dickinson, Robert Cooper, Thomas Alexander and Jonathan Belding, went up to Fort Dummer, found and buried the lieutenant and his comrade.

Lieut. Sergeant's life had been an eventful one. In a petition to the General Court, dated Nov. 29, 1738, asking for a grant of land, he says: About the beginning of Queen Anne's War, y^{r} petitioner's father [Digory Sergeant] then [1704] living in Worcester, had the misfortune, with your petitioner's mother and one brother, to be killed by the Indian enemy: At which time y^{r} petitioner with 5 brothers and sisters were taken into captivity, where y^{r} petitioner remained 12 or 13 years. When inclined to go home met with great opposition as well from the papists as Indians: Yet he came home and was at the sole cost of his redemption: That upon his arrival into this his native country he was put into the service under Capt. Kellogg, [and afterwards under Capt. Willard] and so remains to this time: That he has been three times to Canada in the service of the Province since his redemption; and when the Truck-house [one of the small houses within the stockade] was burnt in 1737, he lost greatly."[1] A grant of 200 acres above Northfield was made by the legislature. The land appears to have been laid out at the lower end of Fort Dummer meadow. He built a house on this grant, where his family was living at the time of his death. In 1763, Wid. Abigail and the other heirs sold the estate to Capt. Samuel Hunt of Northfield. It is described in the deed as "161 acres with buildings thereon, which was a grant to the proprietors of Lunenburg in 1731."

The following petition of Col. Josiah Willard will explain why no help was sent to Lieut. Sergeant, and throw light on matters directly connected with our annals.

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LXXII, 470, also LXXI, 765.

"Fort Dummer, April 5, 1748.

"May it pleaſe yʳ Excellency and Honors:

"Theſe come humbly to inform you that ſome time ago I was appointed ſub-commiſſary to take care of billeting the ſoldiers at Northfield and above the line upon Conn. river; and according to the beſt of my ſkill I have faithfully ſerved my country therein hitherto, tho' it has been attended with the utmoſt difficulty and trouble. The people of Northfield were very unwilling to billet ſoldiers for leſs than others did, as they had been forced to do before, when they come by their proviſions very dearly and were forced to buy of other towns and bring up to Northfield to billet ſo many men as paſſed and repaſſed, and the ſcouts from Northfield to Townsend. I therefore told them that they might depend on it to have equal juſtice with their neighbors conſidering their circumſtances. But I would give them 26 ſhillings per week (old tenor) but hoped they would be conſidered and have more; but by information learn that the General Court in their laſt ſeſſion have granted them but 25 ſhillings per week and to Deerfield 28 ſhillings from whom Northfield has been ſupplied with proviſions, and to Fall-town their next neighbor 30 ſhillings. Now it is well known that it is impoſſible for Northfield to billet cheaper than either of theſe places and hardly ſo cheap; beſides they have been kept out of their money ſo long till proviſions are near double in the price; if their money had been paid laſt September they could have ſupplied themſelves with proviſions for this year for little more than half what they muſt now give. And they have not their money yet: and this is very ſinking and diſcouraging to yᵉ people; and therefore pray that they may have equal juſtice and mercy with the reſt of their neighbors, and that they may not be ſingled out to be borne down and diſtreſſed under their difficulties. I humbly pray it may be conſidered that others have had 30 ſhillings per week when they have raiſed all their own proviſions, and at the ſame time Fort Dummer has had but 24 ſhillings tho' they fetch their proviſions 50 miles. I pray it may be further conſidered what great diſcouragements are laid in my way of providing a ſupply for No. 4, and other garriſons. If I am rightly informed the legiſlature have granted but 20 men to Fort Dummer, which renders it impoſſible to have guards to bring or carry ſtores; and the men are ſo few at Northfield that it is impoſſible to have men from thence at any price at all; and I can hear nothing of Capt. Hobbs's men ordered to No. 4; and No. 4 muſt ſuffer for want of proviſions; and beſides this, I am often ordered to keep up a ſcout to Colrain, and ſometimes out weſt of Fort Dummer; all which things are impoſſible to be done with 20 men. I deſire alſo to inform that I have but 600 pounds Province money in my hands to ſupply No. 4 for ſix months paſt and to ſupply No. 4, the Aſhuelots and Fort Dummer for the future. I deſire alſo further to inform that by his Excellency's direction to me given to enliſt 20 men for Fort Dummer until men could be preſſed and ſent up. Of preſſed men I have but one; and two that did enliſt have gone away not thinking themſelves obliged to tarry any longer; and when thoſe 5 men were gone out for timber to make oars and paddles for the boat and canoe, I had but 8 men left beſides what were ſick with the meaſles when the enemy made their attack on theſe 5 men, 3 of whom they killed and took another captive. * No. 4 was not ſupplied with proviſions before winter ſet in ; and the ſnow coming ſo ſoon after the river was froze and ſo deep, and the river not ſtrong enough to drive up proviſions, that I was forced to have it carried upon Indian ſleys, there being no poſſible paſſing by land."

"In the Houſe of Repreſentatives April 14. Read, and ordered, that thoſe perſons in the town of Northfield who have billeted ſoldiers by agreement with the within named Joſiah Willard, be allowed 7 ſhillings [new tenor] per week for said billeting. And that the Commiſſary General be directed to take ſpeedy and effectual care that the forts mentioned be ſupplied with proviſions in the beſt manner he is able."

Letter from Col. Stoddard dated April 11, 1748.

"I was ſending Col. Tyng's 22 men to Aſhuelot ; but conſidering that their buſineſs was chiefly to defend a garriſon, and that the diſtreſs of the people at Northfield [from the non-arrival of the Conn. troops] was great, and that their circumſtances did inconceivably more demand help, they having no ſoldiers, I directed them to tarry there a few days, till I could know whether they were likely to have men any other way.

"A Northfield man was with me a few days ago, and tells me that there are 9 or 10 men chiefly belonging to that place that are deſirous to go in queſt of the enemy ſometime in this month. They propoſe to go till they meet with ſome of them, and if they have not an opportunity ſooner to go into Canada. They are ſome of the likelieſt men in our county ; and having no opportunity to wait upon the Court to aſk their encouragement, they propoſe, if y^{r} Excellency approve of their going, to proceed on their journey, and truſt to the generoſity of the government when they return. But what they are deſirous of is that they may have the ſame encouragement that Capt. Melvin's men have, if the government think they deſerve it."

The governor replied April 20, approving of the propoſed ſcout, and ſent a blank commiſſion, to be filled out, when the proper man to command it ſhould be determined on. But the plan lingered ; and the men joined Capt. Melvin's company.

Roll of Capt. Eleazar Melvins Co. of Rangers, from Mar. 26, *to June* 13, 1748.

Capt. E. Melvin,
Lt. John Fletcher,
Ens. Benj. Roff,
Serg. Aaron Ward,
" Jonas Holden,
" John Howard,
" Iſaac Taylor,
Clerk, John Dodd,
Thomas Fletcher,
John Bell,
Reuben Kidder,
Joſeph Kidder,
Nath^{l} Boynton,
Edmond Jordan,
Oba. Wood,
Joſeph Wilſon,
Benj. Hoar,
Nath^{l} Foſter,
Nathan Collar,
Aſa Merritt,
Moſes Wright,
Daniel Mann,
Joſeph Petty,
Samuel Severance,
John Stratton.

Capt. Melvin's Scout. — Having made his preparations, Capt. Melvin selected 18 of his best men, including the 4 from Northfield, and started from Fort Dummer May 13, camped that night at No. 2; and the next day reached No. 4. Here he was joined by Capts. Stevens and Hobbs, with 60 men; and on Sabbath evening about sunset started for the mouth of Black river. The united force followed up the Indian road along the banks of this stream, and crossing the divide, struck the main branch of Otter Creek, where the party separated, as had been previously arranged. Capts. Stevens and Hobbs and their men went down on the east side of Otter Creek, while Capt. Melvin crossed the stream and set out for Crown Point. He discovered signs of the enemy, and came upon a deserted camp; but reached the shore of the Lake without opposition. When nearly opposite Crown Point, he discovered two canoes with Indians, one of them about 60 rods from the shore. Going in plain view of the fort, he fired several volleys into the canoe. This bold defiance to the garrison, with his small band, was heroic, but imprudent. A force of not less than 150 Indians at once started to intercept him. This was May 25. Capt. Melvin now made haste to return. The next day, finding the savages on his trail, he struck for the south branch of Otter Creek, and on the 30th crossed the height of land and came upon a branch of West river. Supposing they had foiled their pursuers, and being weary and faint, they halted at half past nine in the morning of the 31st, on the banks of West river, took off their packs, and while some were lunching, others begun shooting the salmon then passing up the stream. Of a sudden, the Indians poured in a volley from behind some logs and trees not more than 40 feet distant. Melvin's men fired and scattered. The Captain himself ran down the river, and up the opposite bank closely pursued. His belt was carried away by a shot or the stroke of a hatchet, by which he lost all his bullets but one. The rout of his men was complete. Melvin got into Fort Dummer about noon the next day; one of his men had already come in, and eleven more arrived before night.

Six of Melvin's party were killed outright: viz. Sergts. Howard and Taylor, John Dodd, Daniel Mann and Samuel Severance. Joseph Petty was so severely wounded as to be unable to travel. His comrades got him to a spring, where they put some pine boughs for him to lie on, and set up others as a sort of wind-break, placed a pint cup of water in reach, and told him *to live if he could*, till they should return with help.

Word got to Northfield by the middle of the afternoon on the 1st, and Mr. Doolittle sent a messenger with a letter to Hatfield that night. About 30 of the inhabitants of Northampton, Hadley, Hatfield and Deerfield rallied, and with such of the soldiers as could be spared from Deerfield and Fall-town, and a number of men from Northfield, reached Fort Dummer on the 2d; but Capt. Stevens with a large force of his men coming in opportunely, the men from below returned home, and Capt S. at once started for the scene of Melvin's disaster. They found and buried all the dead except Sergt. Petty. As he was one of the most respected citizens of Northfield, our people resolved to know his fate. A company was at once organized consisting of Lieut. Samuel Hunt, Lieut. Ebenezer Alexander, Lieut. William Wright, Lieut. Benoni Wright, Sergt. Phinehas Wright, Corp. Moses Field, Moses Smith, Moses Dickinson, Moses Belding, Peter Evens, Daniel Brooks, Gaius Field, Simeon Lyman, Thomas Stebbins, Dr. Ebenezer Field, Moses Wright. They started June 5, going on horse-back, and were out 4 days. They found the body and buried it. This fight took place about 33 miles from Fort Dummer up West river. Hall, in his *History of Eastern Vermont*, locates it within the bounds of Londonderry, Vt.

In view of this afflictive Providence, and the sickness then prevailing in the town, a fast was appointed and held at Northfield Thursday June 16, at which Rev. Mr. Ashley of Deerfield preached.

For convenience of reference in studying the events of the next few weeks, the following muster-roll is inserted here.

Roll of Capt. Joſiah Willard Jr's Co. at Aſhuelot, Feb. 10, to Oct. 26, 1748.

Capt. Joſiah Willard Jr.
Lieut. William Syms,
Sergt. Thomas Taylor,
" William Smead,
Clerk, Jeremiah Hall,
Corp. Thomas Criſſon,
" Benoni Wright,
Timothy Fletcher,
John Ellis,
Wm. Bickford,
Reuben Walker,
Jona. French,
Daniel How Jr.,
Eben^{r} Fletcher,
Robert Ewers,
John Edgehill,
John Robert,
Aaron Ward,
John Froſt,
Benj. Barrett,
Sam^{l} Hoſlinton,
Henry Chandler,
Thomas Criſſon Jr.,
Nath^{l} Fairbanks,
Jethro Wheeler,
James Jewell,
Hezekiah Elmer,
Samuel Hill,
David Nims,
David Bacon,
Wm. Blanchard,
Matthew Wyman,
Jos. Richardſon,
William Hunt,
Thomas Thoyets,
John Evens,
James Burt,
Jeremiah Butler,
Robert Tyler,
Samuel Hall,
William Hill,
James Billing,
Simeon Green,
Nathaniel Hills,
Aſahel Graves,
Benj. Nichols,
Thomas Robbins,
Joſiah Croſby,
Joſeph Barron,
Wm. Livingſton,
Benj. Hoagg,
Henry Stevens,
Joel Johnſon,
Elijah Holton,
Jonas Holton,
Iſaac Rice,
James Eaton,
John Scott,
Andrew Allard,
Eliph. Corbin,
John Henry,
Benjamin Oſgood,
Jona. Lawrence Jr.
John Pullard.

June 16. A squad consisting of 12 of Capt. Willard's men and 2 of Capt. Hobbs's rangers, in going from Ashuelot to Fort Dummer by way of Col. Hinsdell's fort, was waylaid opposite the mouth of Broad brook by a large party of Indians. The ambush was not discovered: and our men were taken by surprise. Three were killed and scalped, viz. Joseph Richardson, John Frost and Jonathan French all of Billerica; seven were taken prisoners, one of whom, Wm. Bickford, was killed where the Indians camped the first night, and his body found and buried a month later. Four escaped across the river to Fort Dummer, one of whom, Daniel Farmer, a ranger, was severely wounded in the thigh, and was brought on a horse the next day to Northfield to be treated by Mr. Doolittle.

In answer to "the Great Gun" at Fort Dummer, a relief party immediately started from Northfield. It consisted of Capt. Ebenezer Alexander, Lt. Hezekiah Stratton, Lt. William Wright, Sergt. Phinehas Wright, Benj. Brooks, Ebenʳ Field Jr., Moses Evens, Lucius Doolittle, Simeon Alexander, Thomas Alexander, Moses Dickinson, Jonathan Belding, Israel Warner, Samuel Stratton, William Holton, Daniel Brooks. They found and buried the three dead bodies, and scoured the country to the east and north in search of wounded men. They "found great signs of the enemy," showing that a large body had been ambushing Hinsdell's and Fort Dummer for several days.

Of the captives, Mark Perkins of Concord, a ranger, returned home in October, Matthew Wyman of Dorchester returned Oct. 5, Benj. Osgood of Billerica, and Wm. Blanchard of Dunstable reached home Oct. 15, Henry Stevens of Chelmsford returned Nov. 12; Joel Johnson of Woburn got home early in October. All the prisoners were stripped of their arms, and most of their clothing at the first camping place. They reached Canada about the first of July. Stevens was thrown into prison, where he lay till Aug. 27. Johnson was made "to run the gauntlet," as were Wyman, Blanchard and Osgood, and all were feeble, emaciated, and unfit for labor on their return. Osgood died in a few weeks from the effects of abuse and want of proper nourishment during his captivity.

A DARK TIME.— These were dark days to our people on the frontier. The attacks made in such rapid succession, and the signs discovered on all sides showed that the Indians were abroad in great force. The full foliage of the underbrush gave them secure cover; and their uniform success gave them courage. And they had learned the peculiar tactics of each of our captains and commanders of forts. They knew where to look for carelessness, and recklessness, and cowardice, and want of foresight. They knew the condition of each garrison; and when they set an ambush, they knew whether a relief party might be expected promptly or tardily.

And added to the other difficulties of our situation in the valley, at this juncture on June 19, Col. Stoddard died. He was an experienced and efficient officer; and had in a high degree the confidence of the people and the authorities. His second in command, Lieut. Col. Eleazar Porter, in the opinion of those best qualified to judge, "had not a genius for war." He was however appointed colonel, ***with the expectation that he would decline***, which he did after a few months; and Nov. 16, Maj. Israel Williams of Hatfield was placed at the head of the Hampshire regiment. Col. Porter's friends claimed that he was not fairly treated by the governor, which helped further to complicate matters, at this critical time. Col. Williams was a man of mark, and an able officer; but he was a man of positive ideas and plain words, and was unpopular with the other regimental commanders, and with his subordinates. The Connecticut officers at Northfield and Hinsdell's fort positively refused to obey his orders. Extracts from his letters, to be shortly given, will indicate the peculiarities of his temper and manners.

Such disagreeable facts are commonly left out of histories, and the bright side of things presented. But issues turn on mistakes and jealousies and insubordination, as often as on foresight and fidelity. And to leave out all the frailties and frictions is to hide the secret springs of actions and events, and render much of both written and unwritten history incomprehensible.

CAPT. HOBBS'S EXPEDITION.—The disaster which happened to Capt. Melvin's company, did not appear to dampen the spirits of the scouts. He was able to promptly recruit a new company of 26 men. The service, with all its hazards, was tempting; and men readily become inured to danger; and through a community of interest, are ambitious to avenge the past. Capt. Humphrey Hobbs, with a company of Rangers had headquarters at No. 4. The roll of his company (given for purposes of reference) is as follows:

Capt. Humphrey Hobbs,
Lieut. Iſaac Parker,
" Wm. Peabody,
Ens. Alex^{r}. Stuart,
Sergt. Eleazar Collar,
" Moſes Willard,
" Moſes Wheeler,

Corp. Samuel Nutting,
" James Marvel,
" Enos Town,
Thomas Robinſon,
Eli Scott,
Samuel Graves, Jr.
Rich. Cree,

Oba. More,
Thomas Walkup,
Uriah Morſe,
Nathan Walker,
Henry Pudney,
Nath^{l} Sheple,
Aaron Hoſmer,

Richard Watts,
Benj. Taylor,
Jacob Nutting,
William Durant,
Iſaac Davis,
Jona. Parker,
Abel Farrar,
Noah Curtis,
Samuel Flint,
Samuel Tutos,
Samuel Gunn,
Dan^{l} McKeeney,
Benj. McIntire,
John Martyn,
Jonas Fletcher,
Jethro Ames,
Amos Wood,
William Bearns,
Charles McLain,
Mark Perkins,
Reuben Brown,
Joſeph Farwell,
Daniel Farmer,
James Farnsworth,
Jacob Ames,
Jacob Melvin,
Nathan Melvin,
Hugh Linds,
Iſaac Peabody,
Ralph Rice,
Eben^{r} Mitchell,
Robert Bancroft,
Daniel Simmons,
Martin Aſhley,
Simon Holden,
John Whitney Jr.
William Burt,
Nathaniel Sartell,
Sam^{l} Butterfield.

Capt. Hobbs with 40 of his men set out from No. 4, Friday June 24, to scout the woods in a south-westerly direction as far as Fort Shirley. On the 26th, they halted at a place about 12 miles west from Fort Dummer. It seems that a party of Indians under a half-blood named Sackett, had struck his trail; but, though unaware of any pursuit, Hobbs, who was wary as well as brave, had posted a sentinel in his rear, while his men ate their midday lunch. The driving in of his picket was the first intimation that danger was near. But Hobbs instantly formed his men, ordering each to take his tree for cover. The Indians greatly outnumbered the whites: and contrary to their usual caution rushed forward with a shout. They were received by a well directed fire, and several fell: when they also took shelter behind the trees and shrubs. The two leaders were well acquainted. Sackett could speak English, and repeatedly called upon his antagonist to surrender, threatening the entire destruction of his men in case of refusal. Hobbs bid him defiance; and dared him to come on and take his men. The fight lasted four hours, when by a fortunate shot Sackett was wounded. Upon which the Indians withdrew, carrying off their dead and wounded. They retired in *silence*, which meant an acknowledgment of defeat. Hobbs lost 3 men killed, viz. Samuel Gunn, Ebenezer Mitchell and Eli Scott. Four were wounded; Samuel Graves Jr. of Sunderland was shot in the forehead, by which his brains came out; yet he recovered, though he was ever after subject to fits; Daniel McKeeny was shot through the thigh and disabled for life; Nathan Walker of Sudbury had an arm broken: and Ralph Rice received a slight wound.

Hobbs and his men remained in their cover till nightfall, when, there being no signs of a renewed attack, they gathered up their packs, carried the dead and wounded about half a mile, where the dead were concealed under some old logs, "as well as we could do it in the dark;" and after marching about two miles further they encamped for the night. Starting early in the morning, they reached Fort Dummer about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The wounded men were sent on to Northfield and put under the care of Mr. Doolittle.

This bold adventure infused a new life into the desponding garrisons and people, and was the theme of universal congratulation.

SERGT. TAYLOR'S ENCOUNTER.— As already intimated, the season was unusually sickly. In the early part of July one half of the inhabitants and the soldiers in garrison at Northfield were unfit for duty; and the same was true of the garrison at Fort Dummer. This, in connection with a spirit of insubordination which showed itself among the Connecticut troops posted at Northfield and vicinity, made our people exceedingly weak-handed. The last of June, the Chevalier de Repentigny, Ensign of foot, is ordered by the French governor at Montreal "to go to war upon the territories of New England, with a party of 26 Canadians and 80 Indians, of whom we have given him the command." Sieur Raimbault, who had lately returned from a successful raid, was attached to this party, and as will appear, was of great service in selecting the right place for an ambuscade. The equipment of the savages was as follows: 80 muskets; 80 breech-clouts; 80 prs. mittens; 100 deer skins: 8 ℔s. vermillion; 80 wood-cutters knives; 80 ℔s. powder; 80 ℔s. ball; 80 ℔s. lead-shot; 80 collars for carrying; 80 awls; 80 tomahawks; 400 flints; 80 powder horns; 100 needles; 3 ℔s. thread; 80 war-clubs; 8 axes; 4 prs. scissors; 80 ℔s. tobacco; 8 iron cooking pots; 8 canoes; and 13 day's provisions. This force made directly for the Connecticut valley; and took a position on the highlands to the eastward of Fort Dummer.

A part of Capt. Loomis's company had been in garrison for a number of weeks at Hinsdell's fort; but at this juncture, he withdrew them without leave, which left this post with only the resident families. Maj. Partridge ordered Capt. Leeds to send 10 of his men from Northfield, to keep the place temporarily; but he refused, because Fort Hinsdell was above the Massachusetts line.

Some new levies and re-enlistments had collected at Northfield; and Sergt. Thomas Taylor, who was stationed at Keene with Capt. Josiah Willard Jr.'s company, was sent down to bring up 10 men, to supply the place of the 10 killed or taken in the skirmish above Hinsdell's fort June 16.

Col. Josiah Willard, then in command at Fort Dummer, reached Northfield July 12, on his way from Boston, designing to go on to the Fort the next morning. An alarm of Indians seen near Dummer reached Northfield that night, which induced the sending forward of a scout; and Col. Willard, under a considerable escort of Northfield men headed by Capt. Eben^r Alexander, started for the north about noon of the 13th. Meeting Lt. William Wright, one of the scouts, who reported that no Indians were found in the neighborhood, Capt. Alexander with the main part of the escort returned to Northfield. Thomas Alexander and 5 or 6 others on horse-back conducted the colonel safely through. As they passed the gate at the upper end of Merry's meadow, one of the horses became alarmed and restive, and was with difficulty urged through and forward. They learned afterwards that Raimbault and some Indians lay concealed only a few yards from this point; and that he restrained the Indians from firing, on the assurance that a larger body of men was soon coming along.

The next morning, being Thursday July 14, Sergt. Taylor with his 10 recruits, including Daniel Farmer (one of the wounded in the previous engagement, who was healed and returning to duty) and 6 soldiers belonging to the different garrisons up the river, started for Keene by way of Hinsdell's and Fort Dummer. The road as far as the upper end of Merry's meadow had been a public highway for 12 years, and had been a travelled path since 1724. And the constant passing of men and teams with stores to Fort Dummer and above, which all went by this route, had made a well defined and well worn track. At this date, the road crossed Merry's meadow near the middle, rose the hill just above the upper brook, passed the west foot of the bluff on which Hinsdell's fort stood, and coursing along near the top of the meadow hill, struck across the plain by a direct line to the river bank nearly opposite the mouth of Broad brook, and so to the fordway above.

Knowing the reported presence of Indians, and remembering the fate of the 14, mostly from his own company, who were surprised on this same route a month before, Sergt. Taylor marched with an advanced guard out on each side of the way. He would naturally look for an ambush near the brook below the grist-mill, or at the north gate of Merry's meadow; but this point was safely passed. The meadow hill on the left, and the slope, skirting the narrow part of the plain for 80 rods above Hinsdell's fort on the right, both of which were then well wooded, were favorable covers for an enemy; but he passed safely. The broad plain — in the central part about 60 rods wide — threatened no danger till he should reach a piece of wet ground just against the "Geese Rocks." As he approached the river at this point, his left vanguard was drawing in, and his right advance was reconnoitering the piece of swampy ground, when his right flank was suddenly assailed by the concealed French and Indians.

There was a narrow strip of springy land just under the bluff, 30 rods east of the road, and about the same distance in Taylor's rear, then covered with alders and brakes, which afforded a good cover for half of Repentigny's force; and by letting the squad pass completely by, he could fall on their rear; while the other half of his force, hidden in the swamp just ahead and in the wooded slopes and broken ground above, could intercept their advance, and thus being outflanked in front and rear they were effectually entrapped. And as prisoners were more valuable than scalps to both savages and the French, it was for their interest to take the men alive.

Taylor's men immediately right-faced, and returned the enemy's fire, when they saw the whole long line closing upon them. "Not less than one hundred guns were fired before our men could re-load." As their only resource, Taylor's men fled for shelter to the river bank. Here was a sharp but short skirmish. The advantage of the enemy, both in position and superiority of numbers — 6 to 1 — rendered resistance useless.

Our men did some execution. Two Indians were killed outright. And the relief party found where the Indians had cut 4 biers on which they carried off those too severely wounded to walk. Two of Taylor's party were killed on the spot: Asahel Graves of Hatfield and Henry Chandler of Westford, who were scalped and stripped of arms and clothing. Eleven were taken prisoners. Two made their escape back to Hinsdell's fort: and two got to Fort Dummer. One of the latter, Robert Cooper, was shot in the left side in two places, had a rib fractured and his arm shot through. He and his comrade were making the best of their way up under the river bank, when a party from Fort Dummer came out, and fired across the river on their pursuers, and so guarded them up and across to the fort.

Two of the captives, Joseph Rose of Northfield, and James Billings of Concord, were severely wounded; and the Indians, after going about a mile, halted, and held a consultation. Rose, anticipating his fate, as he was unable to travel, begged of Taylor, who could speak Indian, to intercede with the savages for his life. But the latter was ordered to rise and follow the main body, when the two wounded men were knocked on the head with war-clubs. The remaining prisoners were conducted up the east side of the river 2 or 3 miles above the mouth of West river, where they crossed at a place called Cats-bane; thence to the lower fork of West river; thence up said river, over the ground where Capt. Melvin's affair happened; and down the Otter creek to Crown Point; thence to Canada. The Indians halted each day, about the middle of the forenoon, at noon, and the middle of the afternoon, making on the average 20 miles a day. Thomas Taylor was sergeant in Capt. Josiah Willard Jr.'s company stationed at Keene; he returned from captivity and to his post Sept. 30. Daniel Farmer of Groton, another captive, was wounded in the encounter on the same spot, June 16; was cured, and returning to duty. Jona. Lawrence Jr. and Ephraim Powers were impressed men from Littleton; the latter was severely wounded in the head, and after his return was long disabled from any labor. Daniel How Jr. was from Rutland, as was also Thomas Crisson Jr. This was How's second captivity. John Edgehill was an impressed man from Framingham, where he was living as an apprentice to Jacob Pike. He, like the others, lost everything; and was subjected to great hardships, by which he was incapacitated from labor. Reuben Walker belonged to Chelmsford. John Henry was from Concord. In a petition to the General Court, he says: "Your petitioner had 7 bullets shot through his clothes, but escaped into a thicket; when happening to see an Indian seize one of his fellow soldiers, he ran up within a few feet of the Indian and shot him through the body; whereupon he was surrounded, and engaged the savages with his gun clubbed till it was broken in pieces, when he was taken, and carried to Canada, where he remained 2 months and 18 days, when he returned home." For killing the said Indian, he was barbarously treated both on the march, and while in captivity.

The prisoners were all sold to the French, who retained them till the last of September, when they were released, and returned home.

After his return to his company, Sergt. Taylor sent a petition to the General Court, reciting the facts of the encounter, as above narrated; and asking for the bounty offered by the Province — agreeing to furnish proof that two Indians at least were killed by his men. The legislature after a patient hearing "*ordered*, that £100 be granted and paid to y^e petitioner, to be equally divided between him and y^e survivors; and y^e further sum of 50 shillings be allowed y^e petitioner for his bravery in y^t action; also that he be allowed £7 for his expenses in travelling to Boston and attendance on y^e Court; also 26 shillings and 3 pence be allowed John Henry for his expenses, and 24 shillings to Daniel How Jr. for his expenses in this affair." How and Henry went to Boston as witnesses.

The scene of this encounter was less than a mile below Fort Dummer; and as soon as the report of the first volley was heard by the ward at the Fort, the "Great Gun" was fired, to alarm the people and garrisons below, and as a signal that help was needed. The reason that no help came from Hinsdell's fort, was, that the soldiers posted there had just deserted it. The reason why no help came from Dummer, and so little from Northfield is given in the following letter, written the next morning by Col. Willard: "Two of Taylor's men are got into Fort Dummer; one is well, the other wounded in two places, but we hope not mortal. What is become of y^e rest we can't tell, and are unable to go and see. The soldiers here [16 in all] are so many sick that not one-half are able to do duty. And the case is the same and exceedingly difficult at Northfield: for upon the alarm, there came but three men last night to see what was done. They have in times past at Northfield been very free and ready, upon alarm, to come for our help, but are now quite beat out, insomuch that I fear we shall not have help to go and see what is done, and bury the dead."

News of the disaster reached Hatfield the next morning; and Maj. Williams immediately sent up a large number of the militia and soldiers from Hatfield, Deerfield and Fall-town, under command of Capt. Phinehas Stevens "who happened to be at Deerfield," with orders to expel the enemy and range the woods. They were joined at Northfield by such of the militia as could go under Ens. Hezekiah Stratton. Proceeding to the place of the conflict, they found and buried the bodies of Graves and Chandler,[1] and then followed the enemy's track about a mile, when they discovered the bodies of Rose and Billings, whom they buried. Receiving orders from Col. Porter, and re-inforcements, many of the officers and soldiers remained at Hinsdell's fort; and on the Sabbath went over to Fort Dummer, where the chaplain, Rev. Andrew Gardner preached from Rev. III, 3; "If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee."

On Monday the party, numbering in all 129 men, followed the trail of Taylor's captors, but could not come up with them, though the report of guns was heard in the distance. They found and buried the body of William Bickford, killed June 16; and returned home by way of the scene of Capt. Hobbs's fight, burying his three men "which the enemy had not found."

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[1] A pair of rude grave stones stood, till within 50 years, to the east of the "Geese Rocks," a few rods from the present river bank. When the land was cleared, the stones were *plowed up*, and human bones found underneath. About 3 years since, a lad found a skull which had been laid bare by the caving of the bank, near this spot. There is no tradition by which to identify the remains.

About 80 years after the fight, Hollis Taylor, a son of Sergt. Thomas, set up a small slate stone with suitable inscription by the side of the highway, directly east of the spot where he was captured. This has disappeared; and a handsome marble monument has lately been erected, a short distance to the north, by Lewis Taylor a grandson of the sergeant.

Maj. Israel Williams transmitted an account of Sergt. Taylor's encounter to Secretary Willard at Boston, July 15th; and adds, "Accidentally learning that Capt. Loomis designed to withdraw his men from Col. Hinsdell's fort, without leave, Capt. Leeds was ordered to send 10 of his men from Northfield to keep it for the present, but utterly refused, and declared he would obey no orders but from the committee of war at Hartford — Tho' orders were given to have his men's places supplied, and 10 of Capt. Loomis's men actually went to Northfield for that purpose. If that fort [Hinsdell's] must be left for the enemy to burn, I should be glad to know it. I know Gov. Shirley was fond of its being preserved. It's time we knew who is to govern, whether those who have a right to command, or those who ought to obey. Since the enemy killed the eleven cattle at Ashuelot [on the 8th] and carried off the meat, they are well furnished to dwell amongst us, as it seems they do, and destroy us as fast as they please. Something effectual must be done, or the western frontiers are ruined."

On the 16th, Col. Joseph Dwight of Brookfield wrote to Secretary Willard: "We have accounts of the enemy lying on our borders in great numbers. It seems to me high time for the government to exert its power, and give more effectual directions to the officers posted on the frontiers — if need be, to raise half the militia of the Province. But I beg we may have 1000 men to drive the woods and pursue the enemy even to Crown Point."

July 18, the governor issued orders to Col. Porter to raise a strong and sufficient guard out of the militia for the succor of the exposed garrisons.

About July 22d, Capt. Leeds and his company of Connecticut troops were withdrawn from Northfield.

July 23. THE KILLING OF AARON BELDING.—The Indians had their scouts out in all directions; and as soon as Northfield was left without protection, a small party of 6 Indians way-laid Capt. Alexander's fort at the upper end of the town street. On the morning of the 23d, a little before sunrise Aaron Belding started from this fort to go to his mother's who lived next below Mill brook, and so to Dickinson's fort a little further south. Seeing him leave, the Indians by a slight detour intercepted him just north of the brook, and fired upon him as he was passing the ledge of rocks which extend out into the highway at this point. The shot brought him down; and one of the savages instantly sprang upon him. Mr. Belding recognized the Indian as an old acquaintance, and begged him to spare his life. But with a curse the Indian drew his knife, cut round his crown, and placing one foot on his neck, and clenching the hair with both hands, jerked off the scalp entire; then striking a hatchet into his head he left him. The people were generally in bed; but on hearing the report of the Indian's gun the watch gave an alarm; and the inhabitants, most of whom lodged in the forts, got out as soon as possible. The Indians were seen from Dickinson's fort, as they fled towards the east, and fired upon, but received no harm. Belding was alive when his brother and others reached him, and was sufficiently conscious to give some of the above particulars, but died soon after being carried to the fort. An inscription, cut in the face of the rock near where he fell, by Thomas Elgar, reads, "Aaron Belding was killed here July the 23d, 1748."

Some years after, in time of peace, three Indians came down the river in a canoe, and stopped at the tavern kept by Moses Belding a twin brother of Aaron. After drinking somewhat freely, one of the Indians related the circumstances connected with the shooting and scalping, and boasted that it was his own act. His statement of the transaction corresponding with what Moses had learned from his dying brother, left no room to doubt the identity of the murderer. Moses gave orders to his wife to supply the Indians with "what they should call for," took his gun, and left the house. Between sunset and dark, the Indians left the tavern and went in the direction of the river. Not long after, a rousing gun was heard; and in the course of the evening Belding returned home. No questions were asked; and no explanations given; but a few days afterwards a strange canoe was found lodged on the river bank, a little below where the Indians were supposed to have landed. The common belief was, that a raking fire with buck-shot had emptied that canoe!

Capt. Melvin with a company of 26 Rangers was stationed at Northfield, Aug. 1. to 30. Capt. Thomas Buckminster, with 48 men from Brookfield reached Fort Dummer Aug. 6, and remained till the 20th. Lieut. Seth Pomeroy of Northampton, with 98 men was in service from Aug. 7, to 21. Col. Joseph Dwight, with 100 men from Hatfield and vicinity was out from Aug. 11, to Aug 22.

And a few soldiers from Connecticut came up to Northfield, and remained till Oct. 24.

The news that the preliminaries of peace had been agreed upon in Europe reached Boston Aug. 4; but it had no immediate effect on the war movements of the Massachusetts authorities. It had been known earlier in Canada. But the sending of large bodies of soldiers to the western frontiers; and the more efficient conduct of affairs by Col. Williams, who received the command of the northern Hampshire regiment Nov. 16, checked the raids of the French and Indians. The later harvests were gathered in quietness.

Oct. 24, the following petition was sent to Boston:

"To his Excellency W^m. Shirley

We who are underſigned, in behalf of the inhabitants of Northfield, look upon ourſelves ſtill expoſed to the Indian enemy, notwithſtanding y^e ceſſation of arms between y^e Engliſh and French; for y^e Indian enemy are not at all obliged by it, and may take this advantage to do y^e more miſchief; And we are well ſatiſfied that they are about us, and we fear they are watching to deſtroy us; and we deſire humbly to inform that Connecticut forces y^t were poſted at Northfield are this day drawn off, and we are left naked of any ſoldiers for our help, and we are but ſmall in number; and therefore greatly expoſed to y^e enemy's aſſaults.

We therefore humbly pray y^t we may ſtill be ſupplied with a ſuitable number of ſoldiers, as y^r Excellency ſhall ſee meet.

Benj^n. Doolittle
Samuel Hunt, Lieut.
Hezekiah Stratton, Ens.
Joshua Lyman,
Eliezer Patterson, Selectmen.
Jonth Belding."

In answer to this petition, Serg^t Ebenezer Stratton and 14 men of Lieut. William Lyman's company at Fort Shirley, were ordered to Northfield, to do garrison duty till Jan. 2, 1749.

Fifteen men were allowed at Fort Dummer, and 5 at Hinsdell's garrison, from Nov. 15, to Mar. 1, '49; and then continued till May 30.

The calling out of such great numbers of militia involved a large expenditure. And the urgency made it necessary for the commissaries and colonels to use their personal credit and money, in the absence of appropriations by the legislature. Some extracts from Letters will show the straits to which they were brought.

"To John Wheelwright. Comm^r General.

Sir: I have met with ſo much trouble and been at ſo great expenſe in the ſupply of the line of forts in the year paſt, that I am ſick of the buſineſs. They have about 3 weeks' allowance at each of the forts ; and unleſs ſome body is ſoon appointed to ſupply them they may, as the winter may be, have to carry proviſions upon men's backs as I was laſt year. I hope you will find ſome perſon to ſerve the Province and yourſelf better than I am able.

November 15, 1748. WILLIAM WILLIAMS."

"Sir: I have borrowed large ſums of money to enable me to ſupply No. 4, Fort Dummer and the Aſhuelots with proviſions, required by the regular garriſons, and the large numbers of men called out upon alarms, for which I do to this time allow intereſt, to my great detriment, and will, nay muſt throw up my ſub-commiſſaryſhip. JOSIAH WILLARD.

"The Memorial of John Wheelwright, Nov. 16, 1748, Sheweth: The difficulty he labors under, particularly in billeting the ſoldiers in the weſtern frontiers: At the preſent juncture thoſe that have acted as ſub-commiſſarys have refuſed to do ſo any longer, owing to the great ſcarcity of the paſt winter, the ſmall pay they receive, and eſpecially becauſe they have been forced to borrow moneys to enable them to furniſh many ſupplies: Col. Williams having advanced upwards of 6000 pounds, and Col. Willard upwards of 10,000 pounds. As the winter ſeaſon is approaching, the conſequences of a want of proviſions to the forts can eaſily be foreſeen."

Nov. 18, the General Court made the needful appropriations. But it was a long time before the old accounts were all settled. Commissary Williams sent a petition to the legislature, in behalf of the town of Northfield, April 13, 1749, shewing, "that the inhabitants of said town billeted Capt. Leeds and company the spring and summer past ; that by reason of the war they were so drove from their improvements, that they were obliged to go as far as the lower part of the county and even to Connecticut to buy provisions for their subsistence, which cost them so dear that they cannot without loss board the men for less than 40 shillings old tenor per week."

April 19, the necessary grant was voted, and after the usual delays, was received.

The treaty of peace was signed at Aix la Chapelle. Oct. 7, but was not proclaimed in Boston till May 10th of the next year.

1749. DEATH OF REV. BENJ^{n}. DOOLITTLE.—Our knowledge of the life and leading characteristics of the minister-physician of Northfield, is confined to the few incidents interwoven in the preceding pages. His pastorate must have been a varied and in many respects a trying one. The period was distinguished by stirring events in political, military and religious affairs. Men thought quickly and acted promptly. How he stood related to some of these questions has been indicated by the account of his church troubles. The part he took in others appears in the petitions he sent to the General Court, already quoted. The services he rendered in the former and the late war, as surgeon, were of the greatest public and private benefit. His death occurred just at the close of the war, which so directly and deeply affected the interests of Northfield and the adjacent settlements.

From the inscription on his grave stone, it appears that Mr. Doolittle died January 9, 174$\frac{8}{9}$, in the 54th year of his age, and the 30th of his ministry. The following notice appeared in the *Boston Gazette and Weekly Journal* of Jan. 24: "We are informed that on the 9th instant, the Rev. Mr. Doolittle, pastor of the church in Northfield, was suddenly seized with a pain in his breast, as he was mending a fence in his yard, and died in a few minutes time, to the inexpressible grief of the town in general, as well as his own family in particular."

A sermon was preached at his funeral by Rev. Jonathan Ashley of Deerfield, from Mark xiii, 37, and Rev. iii, 3. The sermon was printed; but it contains no sketch of Mr. D.'s life or character, further than to say, "he was a tender husband and an affectionate father." He appears to have been better known abroad as a surgeon than as a preacher. His medical practice was large and successful; his surgical practice extended from No. 4, as far down as Springfield. In 1743, he wrote and published a sermon entitled, "An Enquiry into Enthusiasm, being an Account of what it is, the original, Progress, and Effect of it." By a reference to p. 232 in the preceding chapter, the occasion of the discourse will be readily inferred.

Mr. Doolittle kept a record of the leading events of the war, which transpired in this vicinity, from its opening to August 2, 1748. This was published, with some small additions, in 1750, under the title, "A Short Narrative of the Mischief done by the French and Indian enemy, on the western frontiers of the Province of Massachusetts Bay." It is an octavo pamphlet of 24 pages. This record, a copy of which is in the library of Harvard College, has been the basis of the history of the war, contained in this chapter.

A NEW PREACHER.— In March, Mr. Isaac Lyman was hired to preach, and was requested to preach on probation. Sept. 20, the town, at a meeting called for the purpose, voted, to give the worthy Mr. Isaac Lyman a call to settle with us in the ministry. He did not accept. Isaac Lyman was son of Capt. Moses and Mindwell (Sheldon) Lyman, b. at Northampton, Feb. 25, 1725; graduated

Yale College, 1747. In 1750 he was settled as pastor of the church in York, Province of Maine.

The soldiers in garrison at the forts above Northfield were dismissed May 31. But the inhabitants continued to keep watch and ward at the several town forts. June 20, the Indians made a sudden assault at No. 4. Sergt. Caleb How, writing that day, says:

> "This afternoon about 3 o'clk, the Indians ſhot upon Enſign Obadiah Sartwell as he was harrowing corn in his home-lot. The ward ſaw them as ſoon as they roſe out of their ambuſh. They ſhot 4 guns, the laſt of which killed father Parey's mare. The ward ſays he ſaw the Indians lead off your ſon Enos, who was riding the mare, and lift him over the fence, ſo that we hope he is well. We ſaw about 10 or 12 Indians run upon Sartwell, and they were naked, and they made off very quick. CALEB HOW.
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> To Capt. Phinehas Stevens at Northfield."

The next day 5 Indians were seen skulking above West river mountain; and some cattle feeding above Hinsdell's fort were fired upon.[1]

These signs of fresh hostilities spread consternation all along the frontier. Orders were immediately issued to raise 100 effective men; 25 to be posted at No. 4, 10 at the Ashuelots, 5 each at Fall-town, Colrain and Northfield, and 50 were to be employed in scouting.

Early in July, levies were raised out of several Middlesex and Worcester regiments, and ordered to rendezvous at Northfield. The company, comprising 56 men, was put under command of Capt. John Catlin of Deerfield. Some Deerfield and Northfield men were attached to it. The men were mustered July 13, and discharged Oct. 12. On the roll are the following Northfield names: Lt. Elias Alexander, Sergt. John Stratton, Sergt. Thomas Taylor, Sergt. Moses Wright, Daniel How Jr., Samson Freeman, Hezekiah Elmer. Twelve of the men went up from Framingham, viz. Corp. John Butler, Fuller Putnam, Jona. Cole, Moses Parker, Edmund Town, Stephen Hastings, Jona. Farwell, Henry Snow, Joseph Young, Samuel Adams, Josiah Stone, Jona. Brewer. This company was billeted one-half the time at Northfield and one-half the time at Keene. The allowance for billeting per man per week at Northfield was 8 shillings, at Keene 10 shillings 7 pence 3 farthings, new tenor.

The Northfield militia company reorganized, choosing Samuel Hunt, Captain, Hezekiah Stratton, Lieut., Nathaniel Mattoon, Ensign.

In the war now closed, Northfield was a depot of stores and rallying point of men for the valley frontier. The headquarters of command was at Northampton and Hatfield; but the headquarters of service was at Northfield. The four well built forts in the village afforded a temporary lodgment for squads and companies, as well as a permanent station for garrisons. It was convenient and central for the scouts and rangers that went east to Townsend and vicinity, as well as those that took more northern routes. It was the most northern point to which provisions and stores could be safely sent at all times, without a special guard. Then it had a large acreage of rich meadow and tillage lands, which could be relied on for grass and grain. And as the residence of Mr. Doolittle, the oldest and best known surgeon in the region, whose house was a fort, it necessarily became a retreat for disabled soldiers and their friends. All these things gave the town prominence in social and financial as well as in military affairs.

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[1] *Mass. Archives*, LIII, 346.

This advantage of natural position and resources, was commonly supposed to insure corresponding prosperity. Some of the lower towns were envious of her chance to grow rich out of the war. The Provincial authorities were disposed to cut down allowance for subsisting men and horses, because Northfield could afford to supply food and forage cheaper than other points. That Capt. Hunt and Ensign Field, and a few of the large landholders, and the traders, and blacksmiths, and shoemakers were individually benefited is certain. Their inventories of personal property went up rapidly.

But the cost of all farming operations was greatly increased. And the drain of the material force of the town, by taking off so large a share of the active young men, was a serious drawback. The demoralization of war was, however, its most deplorable evil. The temptation to enlist in scouting and ranging parties, growing out of the large bounties offered for scalps, and the freedom and excitement of perilous adventure, drew many into these companies; and the pay and occasional bounty proved insufficient to meet necessary expenses, and recklessness as to means and ends was the result. The ragged and hungry Ranger sometimes supplied his wants, without inquiring into the rights of property and life. And the comparatively idle life of the garrison soldier, with no care for supplying daily wants, induced habits of shiftless and thriftless living, which were not easily thrown off. Rev. Mr. Doolittle in his Narrative forcibly remarks, "great numbers of our young men enlisted, and have been kept in pay and idleness, to the ruin of many of them and the hurt of the country."

1750. This was a year of peace and recovery. Garrisons of 10 men were kept at Fort Dummer and 15 men at No. 4; but the forts at Northfield were deserted of soldiers.

March 5, at the annual meeting, the town voted to forbid the cutting of timber on the undivided lands north of the Ashuelot and on the west side of the Connecticut; and a committee was instructed to prosecute all breaches of this order.

THE REV. JOHN HUBBARD.— After the failure of the effort to settle Mr. Isaac Lyman in the ministry, Mr. John Hubbard of Hatfield, a graduate of Yale College 1747, was employed to preach on probation.

"At a legal meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of Northfield, duly warned and convened on the 5th of March 1750, Choſe Capt. Ebenezer Alexander moderator: *Voted*, To give the worthy Mr. John Hubbard £133 6 8 lawful money, to be paid in the following manner, viz. £53 6 8 on the firſt day of Sept. 1750, and £80 on the 5th of March following, on condition he ſettles in y^e^ work of y^e^ Goſpel Miniſtry amongſt us. *Voted*, To give Mr. John Hubbard £66 13 4 lawful money of this province annually, at the rate of ſilver at 6 shillings and 8 pence the ounce, during his continuance in the work of the miniſtry amongſt us. *Voted*, To provide Mr. Hubbard with ſuch ſupply of wood as his family ſhall ſtand in need of, during his continuance in the work of the miniſtry amongſt us."

"Having conſidered of the above mentioned votes of the inhabitants of the town of Northfield reſpecting my ſettlement and ſalary, I do fully and heartily give my conſent and accept thereof. As witneſs my hand this 5th of March A. D., 1750. JOHN HUBBARD.

An ecclesiastical council was called and he was ordained May 30.

At a meeting of the town Oct. 7, it was voted that Dr. Watts's Paraphrase of David's Psalms be sung on the Lord's Day and at other times, instead of the New England version.

Preparations were made the last year to resettle some of the deserted farms near the Ashuelot and on Merry's meadow, and to put up some dwelling houses, on the west side of the Connecticut. Capt. O. Bridgman had previously rebuilt his fort and was living there with his family. Josiah Sartwell and his son-in-law Caleb How were living at Sartwell's block-house. And in the spring of this year (1750) Capt. Joseph Stebbins and Ens. Samuel Stratton built log-houses on their lands. The former stood 80 rods south of Stebbins's island (some large apple trees now mark the place of the old cellar hole); the latter was set on the Fifth meadow, a little south-easterly from the present farm-house of Frederick Brown, who owns the place. A year or two later, Benoni Wright built a log house some distance above Stebbins. On the east side, John Evens rebuilt on the old site. Sergt. Thomas Taylor built on the meadow a half mile above Evens; Robert Cooper and his son Aaron returned to their homestead at the lower end of Merry's meadow; Peter Evens Jr. (known as Deacon Peter) settled not far from Cooper; and Daniel Shattuck re-occupied his partially destroyed block-house. Col. Hinsdell had never deserted his fort. Moses Belding built near the Ashuelot.

1751. THE TOWN FORTS.—There was an article in the warrant for the March meeting, "to see if the town will pull down and dispose of the forts." The same article was in the warrant for March 1752. At a meeting Feb. 5, 1753, the town voted, "that as they would have no farther use for their forts, a committee be chosen to sell and dispose of them."

This year (1751) John Averill, wife and son Asa, William Gould, wife and son John, Amos Carpenter and wife, all of Northfield, and Atherton Chaffee, removed to township No. 1, now Westminster Vt.

The proprietors of the townships on the east side of the Connecticut above Northfield, granted by Massachusetts, now applied to the Province of New Hampshire for new grants. Most of the original planters, and others, had returned to their lands; and Gov. Benning Wentworth, for reasons of policy not necessary to be recapitulated, issued charters to all applicants.[1]

1752. The township known as No. 2, was regranted by the name of Westmoreland, Feb. 12, 1752. Among the grantees were Philip Alexander, Simeon Alexander, Ebenr Hinsdell, Samuel Hunt, Enoch Hall, John Alexander, Simeon Knight, John Taylor, John Chandler, Josiah Foster, Valentine Butler, Daniel How, Daniel How Jr., Caleb How, Abner How, Josiah Willard, Samuel How, Edward How, Samuel Minot, John Rugg, Jona. Cole, Michael Gilson, John Brown, William How. At the town meeting March 31, 1752, Caleb How was chosen proprietors' clerk, assessor, and one of the committee to lay out the lots; Daniel How was on the committee to let out the grist-mill, and to call future meetings, the notifications for which were required to be posted up at Northfield, Winchester and at home.

Mar. 4, 1752, Capt. William Syms sent a memorial to the N. H. legislature, offering to raise a company of 500 men to explore the Coos (Cowas) country, and cut a road thither from No. 4, with a view to settling the rich meadows there. The St. Francis Indians, who claimed this country, sent a delegation to Capt. Phinehas Stevens at No. 4, threatening war, if the English made a settlement there; and the project was given up.

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[1] Farmer's ed. of Belknap's *Hist. of N. H.*, p. 305.

1753. Capt. Ebenezer Alexander and 94 others, petitioned Gov. Wentworth for a regrant of the territory cut off from Northfield by the new state line, and the lands adjacent up to the line of township No. 1. In accordance with this petition, the charter of Hinsdale, embracing the lands of both sides of the river, was issued Sept. 3, 1753. At the first meeting of the inhabitants, Sept. 25, Orlando Bridgman was chairman, (appointed by the charter); Daniel Shattuck, John Evens, Benoni Wright were chosen selectmen; Col. Eben^{r} Hinsdell clerk; John Evens, treasurer; Caleb How, constable; Joseph Stebbins Jr., Thomas Taylor, surveyors; Peter Evens, tythingman; Col. Hinsdell, Josiah Willard, O. Bridgman, Caleb How, Joseph Stebbins Jr., committee to lot out the land; Aaron Cooper, field driver.

Sept. 26, an alteration was made in the charter by which the above grant was divided into two towns, the line of separation being the west bank of the river; and both towns were called Hinsdale.

An article in the Northfield town warrant for the March meeting was, "to see if the town will clear off the incumbrances and encroachments made upon the town street and highways." The width of the main street, and the convenience thereof, made it a sort of receptacle for all cast-off things. If one wanted his premises protected against swine and cattle, he built a Virginia fence in front as well as at the sides of his home-lot, as none other was proof against their snouts and horns. And the custom of letting these animals run at large in the highway, made it a repulsive rather than an attractive place; and broke down the distinctions which are always associated with a well kept lawn and a neatly enclosed dooryard.

The logs for timber and building stuff, drawn in on the winter snow, were left in the street; and so were the sleds. The cart, if it got broken, was left here, as it would be in the way if put near the buildings. Sometimes the pig-pen was established in the highway; sometimes the cow-yard; and always the sheep-fold for summer use. These with their common accessories made a most unsightly incumbrance. And during the war, barracks for horses had been erected in the street near the different forts, to be convenient for guarding, and handy for mounting in case of an alarm. Altogether, the encroachments had accumulated to a degree repugnant to the taste of even that utilizing age; and they were cleared off — to await the necessities of another war, or the annual convenience of adjacent house-holders.

In the same warrant was an article, "To see if the town will give liberty to Moses Field, Doctor Andros and Simeon Alexander, to cut away the seats in the body of the meeting house, and make themselves a pew." According to the fashion of the time, the body seats were long benches without backs. An alley ran down the centre from the front door to the pulpit, separating the women's side from the men's side ; and there was an alley round near the walls, with a fixed bench on the wall side. The sittings were assigned to individuals and families from time to time, by a committee appointed for the purpose by the town. Each seat was "dignified" or classed according to its eligibility of location, those next the pulpit in front being considered the highest in rank. Families were seated according to some stated rule of distinction — sometimes by age, sometimes by property, sometimes by respectability, difficult of definition as is the term. Strange complications, and jealousies, and heart burnings, and strifes grew out of this custom of seating the meeting house. Some disliked their seatmates, and stayed at home ; some disliked their seats, and applied to the town for redress, or took a seat of their liking, when they were liable to be taken in hand by the tythingman. And so human nature developed its peculiarities ; and evinced its need of meeting houses and Gospel ordinances, even inside those meeting houses, and under the direct influence of those ministrations.

It was not uncommon for two or three families to combine and get leave to build a pew for their especial use. The town's permission was usually coupled with some condition, such as, that they would pledge themselves to sit no where else, or to make a new window or maintain the one next their pew. Sometimes the request was granted on condition that the pew-builders should take care of the meeting house for a term of years.

Moses Wright, Simeon Knight and Joel Bigelow removed from Northfield this year, and settled in Rockingham Vt., to be driven back by war within two years.

Pasturing the Commons, was one of the necessities of those days, but was attended with inconveniences, and risks, and loss. Each owner of stock adopted a mark, which was recorded on the town book, and put upon his cattle before they were turned out. It was usually a peculiar slit or hole in the ear, or a brand for young stock, and a mark on the horn for old cattle. Young cattle often wandered off for miles, and had to be hunted up in the fall. This spring, Jonathan Belding turned out a black mare to pasture on the commons.

She strayed southward below Miller's river, and in the fall was taken up as an estray by Aaron Cook of Hadley, and advertized; whereupon she was claimed by George Patterson of Pelham, who kept her three years, and sold her. In '57 she was owned by Abner How of Amherst, and was found and identified by Mr. Belding. The legal time of recovery having passed, Mr. B. petitioned the legislature for a special act empowering him to reclaim the mare; and such an act was passed Dec. 31, 1757.

SHEEP.— All the sheep in town were gathered into one flock about the 20th of April, and put in charge of a shepherd, till the 20th of October. He took them abroad every day and brought them in at night to be folded. This year Hezekiah Elmer was shepherd, and was paid 6 pounds old tenor per month, each owner sharing the expense. The principal flocks were owned by Rev. Mr. Hubbard, John Stratton, Phinehas Wright, Dr. Eben^r Field, Eben^r Field Jr. and Capt. Samuel Hunt.

DIVISION OF THE REMAINING COMMONS.— *Fourth division.* At a legal meeting of the Proprietors of the Common and Undivided Lands in Northfield, held Monday April 9, 1753, it was voted, To lay out that part of the common and undivided lands in Northfield that lyeth north of the Third Division (so called), and the common lands on the west side of the Connecticut river. Voted, That each poll mentioned in the list of valuation of estates made by the assessors of Northfield in the year 1751 shall draw 20 a. of land in the aforesaid division, and the estates shall draw equally upon the pound according to the list of valuation. Voted, The first lot shall begin adjoining the north side of the Third Division. Voted, That an allowance be made for a county road of 6 rods wide across every man's lot, and a highway of 2 rods wide adjacent to all the general fields and meadows lying against s^d Division. Voted, To draw lots by tickets. Voted, That the clerk shall draw lots for the absent proprietors. Voted, That when a lot happens to fall against some former grant or a pond so as to cut off the lot, then part of s^d lot shall lye on one side and part on the other of s^d grant or pond.

The first 14 lots lay on the east side of the river; lot No. 15 lay partly between Capt. Bridgman's farm and Cold spring meadow, and partly west of Capt. B.'s farm, which part is 160 rods north and south, and bounded on the north and west *by the ancient town lines.* The lots from 15 to 57 inclusive lay north of the state line (now in Vernon, Vt.); from 58 to 78, south of that line, and extended to the north line of Bennett's meadow.

The following list of proprietors in the fourth division indicates the names of all the resident land owners and tax-payers in 1751, and the relative valuation of each; and will be a convenient table for reference and comparison. The names are arranged in the order in which the lots were drawn.

No.	Names.	Acres	No.	Names.	Acres	No.	Names.	Acres
1	Sam'l Merriman,	62½	27	Sam'l Holton,	199½	53	Dan'l Elmer,	20
2	Josiah Foster,	27½	28	Tho's Stebbins,	20	54	Abra'm Elgar,	32½
3	Serg't Jo. Petty's heirs,	70	29	Lt. Joshua Lyman,	189	55	Jacob Elmer,	20
4	Israel Warner,	20	30	Moses Dickinson,	40	56	John Avery,	57½
5	Rememb Wright,	236	31	Dea. S. Smith,	246	57	Steph. Belding,	139½
6	Phinehas Wright,	126	32	Benj. Brooks,	115½	58	Lt. Jona. Belding,	287½
7	Eliezur Stratton,	25	33	Ens. Nath. Mattoon,	232	59	Philip Alexander,	27½
8	Lt. Wm. Wright,	142	34	Wm. Holton,	20	60	Aaron Burt,	83½
9	wid. Martha Dickinson,	89	35	Eben'r Stratton,	25	61	Lt. Hez. Stratton,	200½
10	Simeon Alexander,	156½	36	John Stratton,	30	62	Hez. Elmer,	20
11	Samuel Field,	147½	37	Jona. Janes,	248½	63	Dr. Bildad Andros,	88½
12	Dan'l Brooks,	59½	38	wid. Sarah Petty,	22½	64	John Moffatt,	27½
13	Paul Field,	166½	39	Lt. E. Wright's heirs,	20	65	Benoni Wright,	110
14	Jos. Stebbins,	189	40	Eben'r Severance,	68	66	Randall Evens,	152½
15	Ens. Moses Field,	91½	41	Jos. Alexander,	23½	67	Zeb. Stebbins,	25
16	Wm. Orvis,	100	42	Nehem. Wright,	122½	68	Hez. Elmer Jr.,	46½
17	Abijah Prince,	20	43	Wm. Holton Jr.,	117½	69	Seth Field,	155
18	John Grandy,	21	44	Henry Kenny,	20	70	Abijah Hall,	95
19	Joseph Burt,	107½	45	Isaac Mattoon,	127½	71	Philip Mattoon,	35
20	Capt. Eb'r Alexander,	158½	46	Nath. Dickinson,	35	72	John Holton,	104
21	Eben'r Warner,	121	47	Capt. Sam'l Hunt,	446	73	Luc's Doolittle,	137½
22	Moses Evens,	253½	48	Eben'r Field Jr.,	155	74	Benj. Miller,	20
23	Beriah Grandy,	28½	49	Sam'l Stratton,	35	75	wid. Lyd. Doolittle,	106
24	Alex'r Norton,	45	50	wid. Marg't Petty,	37½	76	Elie'r Patterson,	129
25	Dea. S. Root,	85	51	Hez. Stratton Jr.,	32½	77	Dr. Eben'r Field,	119
26	Benj. Rose,	49½	52	Joseph Petty,	105	78	Aza'h Wright,	186

THE FIFTH DIVISION. — The next spring, what is known as the Fifth Division of Commons was made. It embraced three several tracts of land: the first was a strip 30 rods wide from the original north east corner of the town westerly 1100 rods to the choice lots east of Merry's meadow, 9 lots; the second tract began on the plain east of Daniel Shattuck's and extended southerly to the new Province line, 49 lots; the third began north of Bennett's meadow, where the Fourth Division ended and extended south to Deerfield line, lots numbered 59 to 78 inclusive. A poll drew 5 acres; and a pound valuation just one-fourth as much as in the Fourth Division, the list of proprietors being the same.

INDUSTRIES. — The new mechanics and tradesmen, starting business in Northfield during this period were: *blacksmiths*, Simeon

Alexander, who set up a shop in the street near the Dea. Alexander home-lot in '44 or '45 ; Joshua Lyman moved from Fort Dummer and built a shop in front of his home-lot about '47. *Carpenter :* John Avery was a master builder here in '44 ; he was taxed here in '51, and received grants in the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Divisions of Commons. *Shoemaker :* Ens. Moses Field was at work at his trade in 1750. His shop stood on the south west corner of the Great swamp. Some of his charges were ; for making a pr. of mogasins, 9 shillings ; men's shoes, 18 shillings ; women's shoes, 19 shillings ; men's pumps, 4 shillings ; women's pumps, 3s. 8d. *Hatter :* Samuel Root commenced making hats immediately after the close of the war, probably in 1750. He charged from 20 to 42 shillings for beaver hats, and 12 to 20 shillings for hats made of coon and muskrat furs. *Physicians :* Ebenezer Field was a medicine man, who used certain specifics and odd mixtures, which he claimed to be sovereign remedies for disease [*see ante*, p. 164] ; Dr. Bildad Andros (sometimes written Andrews) came to Northfield after the death of Mr. Doolittle, and was here till '55. He was a surgeon of much skill, and was often attached to the forts or with marching regiments in time of war. *Merchants :* Joseph Brooks had a store in town ; but how early he commenced business is unknown ; Aaron Burt was engaged in trade in '44, at the old store by E. H. Colton's.

CHAPTER IX.

The Last French and Indian War. 1754–1763.

The Three Gates of Canada — Col. Williams's Plan of Defence for Western Frontiers — Ranging Companies — Bounty for Prisoners and Scalps — New Forts at Northfield — Rev. John Dennis — Potatoes — Campaign of 1755 — Lieut. Elias Alexander — Killing of Caleb How, and Capture of Jemima How and Others — Attack near Hinsdell's Fort — Campaign of '56 — Zebediah Stebbins and Reuben Wright — Campaign of '57 — Surrender of Fort William Henry and the Great Alarm — Submit Belding — Campaign of '58 — Killing of Asahel Stebbins — Campaign of '59 — Rogers's Expedition against St. Francis — Surrender of Montreal — Cost of the War — Miscellany.

THE treaty of Aix la Chapelle proved to be little more than a truce. The Indians continued their depredations till June 1749; and re-commenced hostilities in May 1754. Assured that there could be no permanent peace to her American Colonies, so long as the French power was dominant on the northern frontiers, Great Britain determined to effect the conquest of Canada.

The gates to the French possessions on the St. Lawrence, were, 1, by way of the River St. Lawrence; 2, by way of Crown Point and Lake Champlain; 3, by way of Lake Ontario. The reduction of Canada then involved the taking of Louisburg, which had been restored to the French by the late treaty; the capture of Crown Point; and the capture of Fort Niagara and its out-post Fort Du Quesne.

The English government called on the Provinces to furnish their full quotas of men to these great expeditions, which were placed under command of British officers; and the intermediate frontiers were left in the main to look out for themselves.

The settlements on and near the Connecticut river were, as heretofore, exposed to direct attacks from the Indians living on the St. Francis river, and in its vicinity, as well as from the tribes further west.

Plan of Defences for these Frontiers.— Col. Israel Williams, commanding the northern Hampshire regiment, writing to Gov. Shirley Sept. 12, 1754, says:

"I conclude by this time you are fully informed of the hoſtile attacks of the Indians and the miſchiefs done by them on our frontiers [the capture of the family of James Johnſon at No. 4, Aug. 30, and the raid on Dutch Hooſuck two days before.] It's now open war with us. * My ſituation makes the weſtern frontiers the more immediate object of my attention * * I beg leave therefore to lay before y^{r} Excellency what I think will be beſt for our defence. My plan is, that there be a garriſon at Fall-town, another at Morriſon's in Colrain, two at Charlemont, Maſſachuſetts Fort, and a garriſon at Pontooſuck. The people are preparing for their defence, as I ſuppoſe; and the charge of making theſe places ſufficient will not be very great to the government.

I propoſe that there be at leaſt 50 men at Fort Maſſachuſetts, 30 at Pontooſuck, they to maintain a conſtant ſcout from Stockbridge through the weſterly part of Framingham townſhip, and the weſt townſhip at Hooſuck to the ſ^{d} fort, and from thence to the top of Hooſuck mountain: That there be 14 men at Fall-town, 20 at Morriſon's, and 12 at each garriſon in Charlemont, theſe to perform a conſtant ſcout from Connecticut river againſt Northfield to the top of ſ^{d} Hooſuck mountain. Theſe ſcouts thus performed will croſs all y^{e} roads the enemy ever travel to come within the aforeſaid line of forts. There will doubtleſs be more wanted for the protection of ſome places within the line. However, if the ſcouting be faithfully performed, there will not, I apprehend, any conſiderable body of the enemy get within y^{e} line aforeſaid undiſcovered; and they will be a great reſtraint upon ſmall parties, who will be afraid of being enſnared. I propoſe that ſome of the men poſted at Fort Maſſachuſetts be employed to waylay the roads from Crown Point. The enemy generally when they leave that place come by the ſoutherly ſide of the Lake or Drowned Lands, leave their canoes, and come down to Hooſuck; or they may turn off to the eaſt; let which be the caſe, that fort is beſt ſituated to ſend parties from for the purpoſe aforeſaid to gain advantage.

I would neglect Shirley and Pelham forts becauſe the Indians were ſcarce ever known in y^{u} laſt war to come down Deerfield river, and that road is very bad, and almoſt impaſſable. Shirley is rotten, and if maintained, muſt be rebuilt. That at Morriſon's will anſwer as well, and can be much eaſier ſupplied. If a fort were built on the top of Hooſuck mountain, it would ſhorten the ſcouting, and anſwer as well as y^{u} propoſed line through Charlemont.

I propoſe two forts between Fort Maſſachuſetts and Hudson's river.

As to y^{e} forts above y^{u} Line; If New Hampſhire would ſupport them, it might be well; but the advantages that would ariſe to this government by doing it would not countervail the expenſe, nor leſſen the charge we muſt be at in defending our frontiers on y^{u} eaſt ſide of y^{u} River, where they can be much eaſier and cheaper ſupplied with proviſions. Notwithſtanding the fort at No. 4, the enemy can and will come down Black river, Williams river or Weſt river, go over eaſt, or turn down ſouth without hazard, and return with like ſecurity the ſame way, or go above.

The grand deſign Col. Stoddard had in garriſoning No. 4, was, that parties might be ſent out from there to waylay the roads from Crown Point, and ſaid there ought to be 100 men poſted there well ſupplied, 50 to be out at a time. But he lived to ſee himſelf diſappointed. The government never did afford a ſufficient number of men for that purpoſe; and it was with the utmoſt difficulty proviſions were obtained for thoſe that were there; many were loſt there, and in going there, without doing any great good. That fort might divert the enemy ſometimes: but till the French join openly with the Indians, they will not fight forts much; but in ſmall parties carry on a ſcalping war, and the more compact the better it will be for us."

This plan virtually abandoned all the settlements above the state line; and took care of the towns within our own jurisdiction. But New Hampshire still refused to protect the river towns, now holding rights under her charters; and Massachusetts would not consent that No. 4, and Dummer should be left wholly undefended. It was decided to maintain a garrison at these posts; and there were eventually four forts at Northfield; two garrisons — Sheldon's and Burk's — at Fall town; three at Colrain — Morrison's, the South, and Lucas's; three at Charlemont — Taylor's, Rice's and Hawks's; two at Pontoosuck, etc. And there were above the line, Bridgman's and Sartwell's block-houses, and Hinsdell's fort; and already or soon to be built, forts at Great Meadow (Putney), Walpole and Keene.

The bounties offered by the Massachusetts legislature to regular troops were as follows: For every male Indian prisoner over 12 years old delivered at Boston, 50 pounds; for every scalp of such Indian, 40 pounds; for every female prisoner of any age and for males under 12, 25 pounds; for every scalp of such female or boy 20 pounds. But the main reliance for offensive warfare during this struggle, was placed on companies of Rangers who should scout from fort to fort, and waylay the Indian paths. The following encouragement and rules of service for such companies were prescribed:

"That for the encouragement of volunteers to enliſt and form themſelves into companies to penetrate into the Indian country, in order to captivate and kill the Indians of any of the tribes this government has declared war againſt, 30 day's proviſions ſhall be given to every and all the companies raiſed as aforeſaid, provided that none of the ſaid companies ſhall conſiſt of leſs than 30 men, and that the ſaid companies ſhall be held to perform a ſcout of at leaſt 30 days upon every march, unleſs ſome ſpecial reaſon (for the good of the ſervice) ſhall appear for their returning in a leſs time: And that the officers of each company ſhall be alſo held to keep a Journal of each of their marches or ſcouts, and exhibit it in courſe under oath to the captain general. And for every captive taken by ſaid companies or by any detachment or party of any of ſaid companies, which ſhall be brought to Boſton and delivered to the governor, there ſhall be paid out of the public treaſury the ſum of 220 pounds; and for every ſcalp brought in as aforeſaid, the ſum of 200 pounds."

The most noted of these ranging companies are Lyman's, Burk's, Rogers's, Rice's, Putnam's, John Stark's and Wm. Stark's. Some of their Journals are a record of hardships and perils; of waylaying an Indian trail for days together; of watching on the mountain tops for camp smokes; of winter marches on snow-shoes and lodging at night in the open air or under brush huts; of quickness of sight and hearing, and promptness of action, that show human endurance, and reveal the perfectness of discipline, and self-reliance, and contempt of danger, to which men united in a common purpose, can be brought. In stratagem and finesse, they were little if at all inferior to the Indians; in combat on equal terms, they were greatly superior."

Deerfield was made the depot of stores for the forts and garrisons on the west side of the river; and Northfield no longer held the central military position which she had during the earlier wars.

1754. June 21, Gov. Shirley issued orders to the commanders of regiments, to make a thorough inspection of the state of the militia and report to head-quarters. The several towns were also required to supply themselves with the full stock of ammunition required by law.

New Forts at Northfield.—As before related, the forts at Northfield were taken down in 1753, because "the town would have no further use for them." But the mistake was soon discovered. When the news of the capture of the Johnson family at No. 4, Aug. 30, reached Northfield the next day, the selectmen issued a warrant dated Sabbath, Sept. 1, calling a town meeting for Monday Sept. 2, "at seven o'clock in the morning, that being assembled they then and there may agree to build forts in such places as they shall appoint, if they see meet." It was voted to build four forts at the following places, viz. Capt. Ebenezer Alexander's, Rev. Mr. Hubbard's, wid. Lydia Doolittle's and Samuel Field's. Voted, to choose a committee to apply to the legislature for aid to pay for the same.

Work was at once commenced; and the four forts, consisting of ***mounts*** and a surrounding line of strong pickets, were finished in the course of the ensuing winter and spring.

August 31. Capt. Israel Williams (who held the two commissions of captain of the local militia, and colonel of the regiment) ordered out his company; and they were stationed as follows — most of them from date to March 14: Lieut. John Hawks with 29 men at Colrain;

Ensign John Burk with 15 men at Fall-town; Sergt. James Patrick with 14 men at Greenfield; Ens. John May with 22 men at Charlemont; Sergt. Noah Strong with 13 men at Southampton. There was a garrison at Fort Massachusetts; and Corp. Preserved Clap with 9 men was stationed at Huntstown while the people were gathering their harvest.

At this date, No. 4 had 32 families, with a tolerably strong fort, but no soldiers to man it (Capt. Phinehas Stevens was spending the year at Northfield); Fort Dummer was occupied by Sergt. Nathan Willard and 7 men with their families; Col. Hinsdell and several families were living at his fort, which was in good repair, except that the line of pickets was somewhat decayed; Bridgman's and Sartwell's block-houses were in good repair, and occupied by families. Northfield was left in charge of its own militia company, then in command of Capt. Samuel Hunt, with Seth Field as lieutenant, who succeeded to the captaincy in 1756.

On the alarm the first of September, the families that had settled on their farms in what is now Vernon, Vt., and Hinsdale, N. H., left their exposed homesteads, and sought shelter in the town or at one of the forts. The Coopers, and Shattucks, and Fairbanks Moore went to Fort Dummer; the Wrights, Beldings and some others went to Hinsdell's fort; and the Evenses and Thomas Taylor built a stockade around John Evens's house, which was the resort of Capt. Joseph Stebbins and his family. Ens. Stratton removed back to Northfield street.

Potatoes.— The culture of this tuber began in Northfield about this date. The potato was unknown in New England till 1718, when it was introduced by a colony of Scotch emigrants who settled at Nutfield, now Londonderry, N. H. Some of these people removed to Pelham, Mass., and some to Colrain about 1738, and commenced its cultivation at those towns. For a great many years it was regarded by our people as unfit for food; and did not come into common use till after the Revolution. In 1754 Moses Field sold 1½ bushels of potatoes for 15 shillings; in '66 he sold 15 bushels at one shilling per bushel.

The church members living at No. 4, desirous of observing the ordinances, came down to Northfield with their pastor elect, Mr. John Dennis, and were organized into a church December 4, 1754, and Mr. D. was ordained. He was dismissed by a council held at Deerfield March 31, 1756. Mr. Dennis was truck master at Fort

George, province of Maine, 1745; was appointed chaplain at Fort Richmond April, '46.

1755. Jan. 29, The church in Northfield *voted*, That no stranger coming and dwelling among us shall commune with us in special ordinances more than 12 months, without bringing a certificate from the church to which he or she belongs, of their good and regular standing, unless they shall offer satisfying reasons for their refusal.

Troops were ordered to be stationed on our frontiers as follows: 4 men at Fort Dummer; 40 at Fort Massachusetts; 11 at Pontoosuck; 24 at the three garrisons in Charlemont; 24 at the three garrisons in Colrain; 14 at the two garrisons in Fall-town; 20 at Northfield and Greenfield.

Four military expeditions were planned in the spring of this year; one against the French in Nova Scotia; a second against Fort Du Quesne; a third against Crown Point; and a fourth against Niagara. Northfield furnished her full quota of men to the first and third of these expeditions. Lieut. Elias Alexander with the Northfield men, sailed from Boston with Gen. Winslow's division May 20, and reached the Bay of Fundy, June 1. Fort Beau Sejour was immediately invested, and surrendered after a siege of 4 days. The name of this fort was changed to Fort Cumberland. The following letter, written by Lieut. Alexander to his wife, contains some particulars of interest:

"Camp at Fort Cumberland
Loving wife: Auguſt 14, 1755.

After due regards to you and duty to my parents, I would inform you that I am well in health, bleſſed be God for it. Our ſon Elijah has been very ſick, but is got better, and I hope like to be well ſoon. We ſtill remain in camp, and it is moſt likely we ſhall tarry here all winter. The French that are in this place are obliged to take up arms for us or go off, which they refuſe to do, and they will be ſent to France immediately. All their effects are forfeited to King George. They have a great number of cattle and horſes which will be for our uſe. We have about 400 confined in the fort, and partys of our men are out daily bringing in the reſt. All the French that are in Meaneſs[1] and any where elſe in this country muſt bear the ſame fate.

All the men that came from Northfield are well except Grandy; he has been ſick, but is like to get well. I have wrote ſeveral letters home, but have no return. I long to hear from you, and deſire you to write a hundred letters, out of which I may perhaps get one. Being in haſte ſhall conclude with my humble regards to my children and all friends, none excepted. So I remain,

Y^{r} loving huſband till death,
ELIAS ALEXANDER."

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[1] Minas is on the bay of the same name on the south east side of the Bay of Fundy, 30 leagues from the entrance of Annapolis.

The letter was addressed: "To Mr. Thomas Alexander at Northfield in New England. To be left at Mr. Duits in Boston at the sign of the white horse."

The expedition against Crown Point was put under command of Gen. Wm. Johnson; but for various reasons, the summer was wasted in inaction. As an inducement to enlistments, the Massachusetts government offered to furnish each man at the time of enlisting, 1 blanket; 24 shillings to such as provide themselves with good arms; £12 for arms and bounty; and one month's advance pay on the first muster. Wages were to commence at the date of arrival at the rendezvous. The expedition was popular with our people, and great numbers enlisted. The Hampshire regiment, under Col. Ephraim Williams, marched for the rendezvous at Albany, about the middle of June, which left the valley frontiers almost defenceless and offered inducements which the Indian enemy were not slow to accept.

The Scaticooks (Scagkooks) had joined the St. Francis early in the spring: and the united tribes took this occasion to begin their depredations. June 11, they attacked a party of men at work in a meadow in the upper part of Charlemont, killed Capt. Moses Rice and Phinehas Arms, and captured Titus King and Asa Rice.

June 27, the Indians beset Bridgman's fort. The fort, which was strongly built and well picketed, was then occupied by three families, viz. Caleb How, wife Jemima and 7 children (including 2 daughters of Mrs. How by her former husband William Phipps), Hilkiah Grout,[1] wife and 3 children, Benjamin Garfield,[2] wife and 1 daughter. In the morning the three men, with two sons of Mr. How, went to work in a meadow on the bank of the river a little above the fort. They started on their return about sunset. How and his boys were on horseback, and had got a little ahead of the others. When rising the meadow hill to the northward of the fort, they were fired upon by the concealed ambush. How received a shot in the thigh which brought him to the ground; when the Indians fell upon him, scalped him, and striking a hatchet into his head left him for dead. The boys were taken alive. The other two men attempted to escape by crossing the river. Grout succeeded; but Garfield was drowned. As soon as it grew dark the Indians went to the fort, and making the proper signal (which they had learned by skulking around the gate) were admitted, and made prisoners of the women and children. The fort was then fired, and the captives started on the way to Canada.[1] The next morning a party of men found Mr. How alive; and took him across the river to Hinsdell's fort, where he soon after died.

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[1] Hilkiah Grout was b. at Lunenburg, Mass., July 23, 1728; m. Submit Hawks of Deerfield.

[2] Benj. Garfield was probably son of Benj. and Bethia (How) Garfield, b. at Marlboro, May 6, 1718; m. Eunice Cooley daughter of Benjamin.

"On one of the last days of June," an attack was made on the fort at Keene, then in command of Capt. William Syms. The savages were beaten off; but in their retreat they killed many cattle, burned several buildings, and captivated Benjamin Twichel.[2]

July 22. The Indians ambushed Hinsdell's fort. The following letter gives the particulars:

> Deerfield July 22, 1755.
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> To Gov. Wentworth:
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> I this inſtant received an expreſs from my wife at Hinſdell's fort informing me that about 9 o'clock this morning a party of Indians attacked 7 men within 100 rods of the fort, who were out to get a few poſts to complete the new picketing of the fort: they had 4 on guard and 3 with the team. They had drawn but one ſtick before the enemy fired upon them, and having got between them and the fort endeavored to prevent them getting in. Four of the men were ſoldiers and three inhabitants; one ſoldier named Heath, and one inhabitant, viz. Amaſa Wright eſcaped to the fort. The ſoldiers that are miſſing are Jonathan Colby, Hardway (Hardiclay?) and Quimby. The inhabitants miſſing are two: we hope ſome may be hid and come in; but one of the ſoldiers ſays he ſaw the Indians take off two or three as he ſtood in the ſentry box of the fort.
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> P. S. Mr. Hardway was found dead upon the ſpot with both his breaſts cut off and his heart laid open. One of the inhabitants (John Alexander) was found within 60 rods of the fort, and both ſcalped. We ſee Colby taken off by the Indians. We fired ſeveral larums, and the Great Gun at Fort Dummer was ſhot. Thirty men from Northfield came to our aſſiſtance, and helped to bury the dead. They followed the Indians, and found Colby's track who was barefoot. They found no blood, which gives us reaſon to hope Colby is well. The reſt is eſcaped to the fort. ABIGAIL HINSDALE.

Col. Hinsdell adds, "we are loath to tarry here merely to be killed."

July 22 or 23, two men were killed by the Indians at Walpole, N. H. Daniel Twichel and John Flint went back upon the hills one and a half miles from the street, to cut timber for oars. Both were shot dead; one was scalped, the other cut open, his heart taken out and laid in pieces upon his breast.

July 25. Seth Field writes:

> Since the diſaſterous tidings from Ohio, and the delay of the Crown Point forces, the miſchief done above us together with our circumſtances, has ſo diſ-

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[1] Mrs. Jemima How was known as "The Fair Captive." For interesting particulars of the journey, imprisonment and release, see her Narrative in Belknap's *Hist. of New Hampshire*, vol. III.

[2] *Mass. Archives*, LXXVII, 727.

couraged the hearts of our people that they are almoſt ready to give up all and care only for their lives. A fine harveſt is on the ground, and likely to be loſt for want of a guard. The few ſoldiers we have are conſtantly on duty, and not half ſufficient to guard the laborers. Aſks that one of the companies of Rangers that are between the Connecticut and the Merrimack rivers may be ſent to ſcout for a few weeks to the northward of Northfield: ſays Capt. Rice of Rutland is ready to come. * *

August 17. A large body of Indians (stated at 400) ambushed the house of John Kilburn in Walpole. There were in the house, which was situated about half a mile from Col. Bellows's fort, Kilburn, his wife Ruth, his son John and daughter Hetty, a man by the name of Peak and his son. This handful of people in a small log house, sustained the constant fire of the large body of savages from dinner time till sunset — returning the fire with such determination and fatal effect, that the enemy then withdrew, taking his dead and wounded with him. Peak was wounded in the thigh, which for lack of surgical care, caused his death on the fifth day.[1]

Among the names of men belonging to Northfield and vicinity in the Crown Point expedition this year, are the following: In Capt. Elijah Williams's company, June 12 to Nov. 21; Lieut. Seth Field, Corp. Eleazar Patterson, Gideon Shattuck, Richard Carey, Nathaniel Chamberlain, Daniel Shattuck Jr., Zadock Wright, Moses Wright, Eben^{r} Severance, Hilkiah Grout, Joseph Perry, William Sanderson, Aaron Scott, John Sergeant, Fairbanks Moor, Daniel Sergeant, John Kathan, Daniel Gun, Elisha Scott, James Porter. In other companies; Ens. John Stratton, Sergt. Joseph Alexander, Pedajah Field, Joseph Burt, Samuel Hunt Jr., Asa Stratton, John Beamont, Noah Belding, Benoni Wright Jr., Elias Bascom, Shammah Pomeroy and Simeon Knight, were in Capt. Joseph Dwight's company. Jonathan Belding was in Capt. Samuel How's company, Aug. 11 to Dec. 27.

Having spent two months in gathering stores, etc., Gen. Johnson marched from Albany, and reached the south end of Lake George the latter part of August. While here he received news that a body of 2000 French and Indians under Baron Dieskau had landed at Whitehall, and were marching towards Fort Edward. At a council of war held on the morning of Sept. 8, it was resolved to send a detachment of 1200 men under command of Col. Ephraim Williams, to intercept the French. This detachment fell into an ambuscade; and Col. Williams, Hendrick a Mohawk sachem, and 46 men were killed, 24 were wounded, and others were missing. Among the killed were Ens. John Stratton and his brother Asa. Flushed with his temporary success, Baron Dieskau pressed forward and made an attack in force on Johnson's camp. For four hours the battle raged with the greatest fury : when the Baron ordered a retreat. Dieskau was wounded and fell into the hands of the English. The French loss was set down at 400 killed and 200 wounded and 30 prisoners. The loss of the English in both engagements was 216 killed, 96 wounded, and 15 missing.

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[1] Hall's *Hist. of Eastern Vermont*, pp. 739–42.

Offensive operations soon after ceased : and Gen. Johnson after partially finishing Fort William Henry, on the bank of the lake, and posting a garrison there, dismissed his troops. The result of the campaign was highly beneficial, as it showed the provincial troops that in fair fight they were more than a match for the French regulars.

Dec. 11. A detail of soldiers from Capt. Israel Williams's company was stationed at Northfield to do garrison duty, who continued in service here till Mar. 22, '56 : Sergt. Joseph Allen, William White, Seth Smith, Benj. Wells, Stephen Belding, Joseph Bodman, Medad Field, Obadiah Wells, Amos Tute, Zech. Gilson, Nathaniel Dickinson, Samuel Stevens.

Some New Hampshire troops were in service on the river frontier, for a time during the fall, as appears from the following letter, dated Hinsdale Dec. 23, 1755, addressed to Gov. Benning Wentworth :

> "Y^{r} Excellency was pleaſed to order me the billeting of Capt. Winſlow and men while on theſe frontiers, and alſo Capt. Neal and company, while at my garriſon and places adjacent. They have all ſubſiſted here during their ſtay and were furniſhed with proviſions on their return to carry them home, except the time Capt. Neal's men were at Charleſtown, when Lieut. Parker provided for them. Eben^{r} Hinsdell."

Learning that New Hampshire had decided to furnish no further aid to these towns, Col. Hinsdell in behalf of the rest of the inhabitants of Hinsdale, sent the following petition to the governor of Massachusetts.

> Hinſdell's Garriſon Jan. 1, 1756.
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> Y^{r} petitioners entered into poſſeſſion and improvement of theſe lands under your grant and encouragement for many years paſt. They have been protected from time to time in the improvement of them by your provident care : That by the running of the new Province line, the township of Northfield was biſected, and y^{r} petitioners in conſequence excluded from y^{r} Province : and even ſince the running of the line they have received a kind protection from you when neglected by the Province of New Hampſhire.
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> We are living in one of the moſt expoſed places in theſe parts : are in the road of the enemy's deſcent on the Engliſh frontiers by the way of Otter creek and Weſt river. Although No. 4 be 30 miles above us on the Connecticut river,

yet the diſtance from Crown Point to us by Weſt river is near the ſame as to them by Black river: And as their deſcent upon us is eaſy, we ſuffered much by them in the laſt war; and in the ſummer paſt the greateſt number has been killed or captivated from this place of any other in theſe parts. * *

We have been conſiderably protected in the ſummer paſt by men from New Hampſhire guarding us while gathering our crops: but, notwithſtanding, 18 of our ſmall number were killed or taken, ſome of our buildings and a number of our cattle deſtroyed: And now thoſe forces have been withdrawn for ſome months paſt, and we are wholly deſtitute. * * We are not able to protect ourselves, and have little hope of protection from New Hampſhire, * * and we are encouraged to ſeek to you not only from y^r wonted goodneſs toward us, but becauſe we have one of the beſt fortifications for the covert of men that might be employed in ſcouting up the known roads of the enemy for the ſeaſonable discovery or interruption of them in their approach towards the Engliſh ſettlements, whether in ſummer or winter. Unleſs we have y^r kind aſſiſtance, we cannot continue here, but muſt depart to ſome other parts we know not whither."

1756. But the people of Hinsdale were not alone in their anxiety about the coming season. Northfield had received so poor protection from the troops during the last year, that her situation appeared desperate, unless some effectual means were taken early — as the following letter will show:

"Northfield, Jan. 27, 1756.

To Col. Iſrael Williams,

Hon^d Sir: Whereas the time of year draws near in which we have reaſon to expect the enemy will make terrible attempts upon the frontiers, ſo we of this town have great reaſon to fear we ſhall ſuffer the firſt ſhock from them, in as much as we are very weakhanded and lie open to the enemy, and none to guard us and none to make diſcovery of them till they are upon us: — we humbly beg of you Sir, (in behalf of the town) to uſe your utmoſt endeavors that we may be well protected by a ſufficient number of ſoldiers to ſcout this winter, and to guard us in our huſbandry in the enſuing ſpring and ſummer, and that we may not be a gap open as in times paſt. Sir, you are well acquainted with our ſituation and difficult circumſtances, and you cannot but know it was impoſſible for us to be well guarded in our labors by ſo few men as was allowed us laſt ſummer. We truſt Sir, you have a real concern for our intereſt and welfare, and will heartily ſerve us in the beſt manner you can. We now herein apply ourſelves to you, and beg your favor and influence, and ſubſcribe ourſelves

Y^r humble ſervants

Jona Belding
Samuel Hunt
Nathaniel Mattoon
Seth Field
Joshua Lyman
Nehemiah Wright
Phinehas Wright

It does not appear that this petition produced any effect. The small detail of men for garrison duty, under Serg^{t} Allen, was continued till Oct. 18, with the following list of names: William White, Elijah Sheldon, Benj. Wells, Reuben Belding, James Bodman, Medad Field, Nathaniel Dickinson, Abraham Wells, Zechariah Gilson, Amos Tute. Mar. 23, Col. Williams sends the following order to Lieut. Hawks about posting these soldiers:

"Poſt the men at Northfield at two garriſons, or at one if the inhabitants deſire it: in either caſe they are to be removed from one garriſon to another ſo that the four may ſhare alternately in the advantage. They muſt watch and ward, if deſired. I expect the inhabitants to aſſiſt them, and that punctually. If ſtationed at one fort only, the ſoldiers may well perform the whole duty of watching and warding. Conſidering the fewneſs of ſoldiers, I cant think you can tend more than one garriſon at a time, and afford a ſufficient guard for the people at their labor."

The policy of the government, acting under the advice of the British generals, appears to have been, that the provincial regiments should be required to furnish their full quotas of men under pay for the leading expeditions; and at the same time the local militia should guard their own frontiers, without expectation of reward. This plan was effectual to fill the marching regiments, and garrisons; but it greatly demoralized the home forces, and disheartened the people.

The plan of the campaign of 1756 embraced the reduction of the forts at Crown Point and Niagara. But through the incapacity of the British commander, Gen. Abercrombie, "the summer passed in fruitless labor."

An army of 7000 men was raised — by far the larger part in Massachusetts — and mustered for the expedition against Crown Point. The command of this force was given to Major-General Winslow of Massachusetts. But his march was delayed by obstacles ascribed to the improvidence of Abercrombie.

What was going on nearer home will appear from the following letters:

Northfield June 7, 1756.

This evening a poſt from Wincheſter informs that the Indians have taken Joſiah Foſter, his wife and two children from the Bow in Wincheſter, about 10 o'clock in the morning as 'tis conjectured; though not diſcovered till the ſun about two hours high this evening. The houſe is rifled and a hog killed at the door. The man and a child tracked from the houſe with the Indians. The numbers cannot be aſcertained, but ſuppoſed to be about 6 or 8 in all.

SETH FIELD."

Letter from Col. Iſrael Williams.

Hatfield, July 13, 1756.

"Many of the people on the frontiers work in jeopardy of their lives every hour; none to guard or defend them, but at their own coſt. Their ſituation is very diſtreſſed. Many of the militia of my regiment have freely ranged the woods, and gone to the relief of their neighbors in diſtreſs. I make no doubt the enemy have diſcovered this and thereby been intimidated: But they dont think it's reaſonable to employ their whole time that way without any reward from the public, which they are told they muſt not expect. I ſee not but the enemy are likely to dwell amongſt us, to haraſs, vex and ruin us; unleſs some other meaſures are ſoon gone into." * *

Among the men in the service this year are the following—mostly Northfield names: In Capt. Fairbanks Moor's company at No. 4, June 21 to April 11, '57, Benoni Wright, Uriah Morse, Gideon Shattuck. In Capt. John Burk's company, Crown Point expedition, Simeon Knight, Zadock Wright, Elias Bascom.[1] In Capt. William Lyman's company Sept. 10, to Dec. 11, John Alexander, Miles Alexander, Samuel Mattoon.

Muſter-roll of Capt. John Catlin 2d's Co., in ſervice at the weſtward Oct. 13, to Dec. 11.

Capt John Catlin 2d,
Lieut. Phinehas Wright,
Sergt. Joſeph Smead,
Nath^l Dickinſon,
James Corſe,
Moſes Baſcom,
Moſes Wright,
Samuel Belding,
Eldad Wright,
Simeon Alexander,
John Holton,
Jona. Belding,
Bildad Andros,
Philip Mattoon,
Samuel Hunt Jr.,
Reuben Wright,
Pedajah Field Jr.,
John Petty,
William Orvis,
Samuel Smith,
Sam^l Merriman,
Moſes Stebbins,
Elijah Mitchell,
Joſeph Catlin,
Seth Catlin,
John Hawks Jr.,
Phin. Mun,
Joſeph Rugg,
Agrippa Wells,
Simon Stevens,
Tho^s Alexander,
Auguſtus Wells.

Owing to the discouragements and derangement of business incidental to the war, Northfield had neglected to raise money for a school for two years. The matter coming to the knowledge of the county court, a precept was issued, and served on the town. Aug. 10, a town meeting was called, "to choose an agent to answer to a complaint made against our town for not having a school master to teach our children to read and write."

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[1] Moses Bascom certifies, that in Sept. 1756, he brought Elias Bascom home from Fort Edward on a horse.

ZEBEDIAH STEBBINS AND REUBEN WRIGHT.— Notwithstanding the dangers and alarms, some of the farmers undertook to cultivate their out-lands this year. Joseph Stebbins (whose removal to his log house up near the great bend was narrated on page 277) put in crops on his newly broken lands, while his family lived at Evens's stockade across the river. August 20, Zebediah Stebbins and Reuben Wright went up from Northfield, to work on their lots near Stebbins's Island. Just as they started to return, they were assaulted by a small party of Indians in ambush. The leading facts of the encounter are given in a letter written the next day:

"Northfield Aug. 21, 1756.

To Maj. Williams, Deerfield,

Sir: As two of our Northfield men, viz: Zebediah Stebbins and Reuben Wright, were returning from their labor laſt night about ſun half an hour high, a little below Joſeph Stebbins's Iſland, an Indian laying in the path 6 or 7 rods before them, fired and ſhot Wright through the right arm between the ſhoulder and elbow. They turned and rode back 3 or 4 ſcore rods and halted, when the enemy immediately came up and fired a ſecond gun at them. The men then perceived that there were not more than 3 or 4 Indians; but ſtill rode back a few rods and ſtopped to have the Indians come up (though they had but one gun). In a minute an Indian came in ſight in the path, when Stebbins fired, and the Indian fell and cried out. Stebbins and Wright made off as faſt as they could.

The Indians were after Joſeph Stebbins, as 'tis ſuppoſed, who was at work at his houſe, and who ſaw 3 of the enemy follow' our men. Some of our farmers had in too much haſte got out to their homes: but we ſee that we are ſtill in danger, and I hope we ſhall take warning and ſtand better on our guard.

Y^{r} humble ſerv^{t},

SETH FIELD."

Tradition adds some particulars to this official statement. Reuben Wright was a daring, go-ahead man, and noted as a furious rider; he would never break his horse from a gallop even when he was lighting his pipe with steel and flint. His neighbor was just the reverse. But this morning Stebbins was up first, and called for Wright before he was ready to start; and all the way up to the great bend was in a hurry, taking the lead. When they started, near sundown, to return, Wright took the lead as was his habit; and received the Indian's fire. He had the only gun, and tried to return the fire, but could not raise the piece with his wounded arm. After the second shot, Stebbins took the gun, and after retreating some distance and out of sight of the enemy, both turned into the thicket. Presently the head of an Indian appeared over a swell in the road. The savage appeared to be looking for traces of blood, and was so intent that he did not raise his eyes till he received Stebbins's ball in his breast, when he leaped into the air and fell backward. A pool of blood was found there the next day.

The three Indians were watching Joseph Stebbins, who with two boys was taking up oats near his house. When he heard the first gun he snatched up one of the lads, took him upon his back, ran to the river and crossed just above Pomeroy's island to Evens's stockade. The other boy hid in the bushes. The Indians passed close to him but did not detect his hiding place. He was almost dead with fright, so that when the party from across the river came to search for him, he could not move towards them, and when they called it was a long time before he could answer.

THE FALL OF OSWEGO.— While Gen. Winslow was delayed in his intended movement on Crown Point, the French under Montcalm invested the English fort at Oswego, on the south side of Lake Ontario; and after a short siege took it August 14. Our loss was 1700 men — Shirley's and Pepperell's regiments — 7 armed vessels carrying from 8 to 18 guns each, 200 bateaux, 107 cannons, 14 mortars, 730 muskets, besides stores. Many of the prisoners were massacred by the Indians, and the rest were sent to France.

Anxiety about the plans of the victorious Montcalm led the Massachusetts authorities to issue orders about the first of October for impressing men from the militia, to go to the support of the army under Maj. Gen. Winslow. The following were impressed out of the Northfield Foot company: Corp. Thomas Alexander, Moses Evens, Ebenezer Field, Samuel Field, Eliphaz Wright, Amzi Doolittle, Samuel Stratton, Philip Mattoon, Alexander Norton, Asahel Stebbins, Jona. Hunt, Samuel Orvis, Daniel Brooks, Amasa Wright, Benj. Miller, Reuben Wright, Thomas Elgar.— As soon as the draft was completed, Capt. Seth Field wrote the following letter to Col. Israel Williams:

> "Northfield Oct. 5, 1756.
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> Sir: The men impreſſed are the ſtrength and ſupport of the town: Many of them with great families, and under the moſt difficult circumſtances to leave, eſpecially in the frontiers; but I am obliged to take ſuch or none. Our people are in the utmoſt diſtreſs at the thought of having this town ſtripped of the firſt men in it, and there is a general backwardneſs amongſt the men to go and leave their families in ſuch ſituation and under their difficult circumſtances; for as ſoon as they leave the town we ſhall be able to make but a faint reſiſtance againſt the enemy and muſt lie at his mercy. We have indeed forts, and but a few feeble men to guard and defend them. Pity and compaſſion cries loud

for an exemption from the double burden lying on the frontiers, and eſpecially poor Northfield who has been waſting away by the hand of the enemy theſe ten years paſt.

Sir, begging your favor for the diſtreſſed town, I am

Yr humble ſervt,

SETH FIELD."

Oct. 5. Lieut. Parker, an express, brought a letter from a captive in Canada, to Col. Hinsdell, to be forwarded with all possible speed to Capt. Seth Field, desiring he will forward it to Col. Williams at Hatfield. All that is known of the contents is from the following note by Col. Hinsdell: "While the Express is refreshing himself I only minute the express to me, informing that said captive says he knows many of the captives taken from these parts: That James Johnson with his wife and two youngest children are in gaol at Quebec: That those taken at How's are all well: That Foster's family got well to Canada: That there are a vast number of captives in Canada, and that they are scattered about at labor in the place of the French gone to the war. That the French officers much ridicule our officers for giving up Oswego so soon. That the Indians were very backward in going to the war before they took Oswego, but are now one and all engaged with the French."

Sergt. Joseph Allen with 11 men was posted at Northfield from Oct. 19, to Jan. 23, '57.

1757. This was a year of disasters to the English, and was remembered throughout the colonies, for three generations, as the year of "*the great alarm* about the taking of Fort William Henry."

The principal event of interest in the Connecticut valley, was the attack by a large force of French and Indians, April 19, on No. 4. There was only a handful of soldiers — among whom was Benoni Wright of Northfield, at the fort. And that morning, Ens. David Farnsworth, Bradstreet Spafford, and Samson Colefax went to work at the mill; Dea. Thomas Adams, William Porter, and Jacob Sartle went out in the woods to the sugar camp; and Asa Spafford, George Robbins, John Grandy, and Asahel Stebbins went hunting.

The attack was made on the party at the mill, where they took Colefax and Farnsworth. After burning the mill, the Indians went for the sugaring party, and captured Dea. Adams; and afterwards they secured Robbins and Asa Spafford.[1] Farnsworth and Robbins returned; the others died in Canada.

In the course of the preceding winter, Capt. John Burk had raised a large number of men, to be employed in the ranging service. The company was mustered March 2; and the roll contains the names of 55 men, though the average number in service at any one time was about 45. Among the names are the following:

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[1] The *Williams Papers*, in Mass. Hist. Soc. Library.

Capt. John Burk,	Fall-town	Rufus Brown,	Northfield
Lieut. Salah Barnard,	Deerfield	Samuel Orvis,	"
Dan. Corſe	"	Jacob Elmer	"
Richard Carey	Hatfield	Michael Frizzel	"
Perez Bardwell	"	Daniel Evans,	Hopkinton
Nathaniel Sartle	"	Dilenton Johnſon,	Southboro'
Nathaniel Dickinſon	"	Elijah Reed	"
Serg^{t} Henry Stiles	"	Joſhua Newton	"
Jona: Belding	"	Timothy Pierce,	Framingham
Zechariah Gilſon	"	Samuel Carley,	Marlboro'
Joſeph How Jr.	"	Joſeph Byram,	Bridgewater
Zadock Wright,	Northfield	Thomas Roſe,	Montague
Zebediah Stebbins	"	Iſrael Scott,	"
Seth Roſe	"	Gideon Roſe Jr.,	Scituate
Jonathan Hunt	"	Jonathan Carver	
Simeon Knight	"	Samuel Preſton	
Azariah Wright	"	Willard Stevens	
Amos Tute	"	Lemuel Smead	
Serg^{t} Samuel Taylor	"	Simeon King	
John Bement Jr.	"	Samuel Shattuck	
Reuben Petty	"	William Patterſon	
Obed Severance	"	David Patterſon	
Ebenezer Stoddard	"	Moſes Severance	
Theoph. Chamberlain	"	Eliakim Brooks	

This company had headquarters at Hinsdell's fort, and at Burk's own garrison, during a part of the spring, and towards the end of summer was ordered to Fort William Henry.

Shammah Pomeroy, Asahel Stebbins and Benoni Wright were in Capt. Catlin's company at Pontoosuck, Aug. 22 to Nov. 4.

A large army was raised, nominally for operations against Crown Point and Ticonderoga; but by orders of Lord Loudon, then commanding in the Provinces, the bulk of the forces were drawn off in an expedition against Louisburg — which proved a failure. Only 7000 men — 4000 under Gen. Webb at Fort Edward, and 3000 under Col. Munroe at Fort William Henry — were left for the defence of the northwestern frontiers.

While the English were in this weakened condition, Gen. Montcalm gathered a French and Indian army of 11000 men, and concentrated at Ticonderoga. Aug. 3, with 9000 of his best troops, including 1000 Indians, he invested Fort William Henry. For 6 days Col. Munroe with an effective force of 2372 men held the great army at bay, constantly expecting aid from Gen. Webb, who was lying only 15 miles distant with 4000 men. But no help came; and on the 9th, the Fort was surrendered. The defence had been so gallant, that Col. Munroe was admitted to an honorable capitulation; viz. that his troops should be allowed to march out with the honors of war, retaining their arms, baggage and one field-piece. The articles of the capitulation however, were shamefully broken. The Indians attached to Montcalm's army, without hindrance from the French officers, commenced to plunder the more valuable baggage; and then to murder both officers and men in cold blood. The numbers thus massacred could never be known; but it fell little short of 300. Capt. John Burk was seized by the Indians, stripped of arms and clothing; but being a powerful man threw off his captors, and escaped to the woods, where he passed the night; and the next day reached Fort Edward. Of his company the following were in the capitulation: Lieut. Salah Barnard, Sergt. Samuel Taylor, Sergt. Henry Stiles, Jona. Belding, John Beamont Jr., Daniel Evans, Zech. Gilson, Joseph How Jr., Dilenton Johnson, Simeon Knight, Reuben Petty, Timothy Pierce, Seth Rose.

This disaster spread consternation throughout Massachusetts. All the militia rushed to arms; and almost before they could get the governor's orders to march, Col. Worthington's, Col. Williams's and Col. Ruggles's regiments were on the way "for the relief of the army at Fort William Henry." Gov. Pownal issued orders to Sir Wm. Pepperell at Springfield, dated Boston Aug. 13, noon — "If the enemy [Montcalm's forces] should approach the frontiers, you will order all wagons west of the Connecticut river to have their wheels knocked off, and to drive the said country of all horses, to order all provisions that can be brought off, and what cannot, to destroy; and you will receive this as my order, not to be executed but in case of necessity, and then not to fail to do it. Signed

THOMAS POWNAL."

The militia was out from 7 to 14 days; when finding that the French general did not pursue his advantage, the companies were ordered home.

The sudden excitement, and forced marches without suitable clothing and provisions and shelter, brought on sickness among the troops. Hospitals were established at Westfield, Sheffield, and other places on the routes westward; and there was great suffering, and many deaths.

An incident occurred in Northfield street, during this excitement, which well illustrates the times.— Submit Belding, daughter of Lieut. Jonathan, was engaged to be married to David Keyes of Western (now Warren) Mass. The wedding day was set for the last of August. Early in the summer she went to Hatfield and bought her wedding dress, an English cloth, of scarlet color, and specially fine texture, for the times. This was made up, and laid away. She also wove an extra nice bed blanket. A week before the time set for the wedding, on a clear morning she hung out the dress and blanket on the clothes-line for an airing. Hearing a noise in the yard, she looked out, just in time to see an Indian throwing her pet blanket over his shoulders, and putting her dress under his arm. To her earnest appeal he only grunted "very pretty!" and stalked off towards the Great swamp.

1758. The plan of the campaign for this year included the investment of Louisburg; and expeditions against Ticonderoga and Fort Du Quesne. The first and last were successful; that against Ticonderoga was a disastrous failure,— though it was in part compensated by the capture of the French fort Frontenac on Lake Ontario.

Massachusetts raised 7000 men for the army.

Capt. John Burk and his company of Rangers were in service, guarding the frontiers, sometimes in garrison and sometimes on the march, from April 15, to Nov. 30. Twenty-six men were posted at Morrison's garrison in Colrain, 10 at the North, and 10 at the South garrison; 10 at Sheldon's and 12 at Burk's in Falltown; 12 at Northfield; 10 at Greenfield; 10 at Huntstown; 13 at Hawks's, 15 at Taylor's, 7 at Rice's in Charlemont; 13 at Stockbridge; 17 at Pontoosuck; and Capt. Wyman and the usual number of men at Fort Massachusetts.

The men in garrison at Northfield were: Sergt. Josiah Foster, Daniel Shattuck, Oliver Barrett, Bela Graves, Ebenezer Holton, Solomon Sartwell, Samuel Negus, Ebenezer Harvey, Aaron Petty, Nath^l Chamberlain, Jona. Burr.

On the muster-roll of Capt. Salah Barnard's company, Col. William Williams's regiment, March 13 to Dec. 13, for reduction of Canada, are:

Capt. Salah Barnard,	Deerfield
Ens. Thomas Alexander,	Northfield
Serg^t Eleazar Patterſon,	"
drummer, Job Smith	"
John Alexander	"
Joſiah Olds,	Northfield
Benj. Emmons	Hatfield
Julius Allis	"
Eben^r Belding	"
Eben^r Bardwell Jr.	"

Nathan Beach	Northfield	Perez Bardwell	Hatfield
Richard Chamberlain	"	Saml Bardwell	"
Abial Chamberlain	"	Michael Gilſon	"
Jacob Elmer	"	Nehemiah How	"
Thomas Elgar	"	Joel Alexander, Amherſt	
Michael Frizzel	"	Nathl Dickinſon, Deerfield	
Benj. Miller	"	David Johnſon, Pelham	
Samuel Orvis	"	Wm Kentfield, Cold Spring	
Darius Wadkins	"	Benj. Knight	"
Amos Tute	"	Thomas Stearns	

In Maj. John Hawks's company, April 15 to Nov. 16, are the following names: Hilkiah Grout, and Richard Carey, of Deerfield, Benj. Cooley, Miles Alexander and Jona. Field of Sunderland, Shammah Pomeroy of Northampton. On other rolls are found: Moses Wright, Charles Wright, Israel Warner, James Corse, Gad Corse, Simeon Burt, Aaron Field, Stephen Crowfoot.

ENS. ALEXANDER'S DIARY.— Ens. Thomas Alexander kept a diary of the march of his company and all special events, from the time they left Deerfield May 27, to Oct. 31. It has historical value in fixing dates, and giving facts not generally known, and is here copied in all its material parts.

> "May 27, 1758. Capt. Barnard received orders to march to Northampton; and Sunday the 28th went to church: Monday the 29th received ſtores: Tueſday the 30th we march edto the Coffee houſe: Wedneſday the 31ſt we marched to Weſtfield river. June 3, we marched 18 miles, arrived at Pontooſuck, the way being bad we had a tedious march this day. Sunday the 4th we encamped near the garriſon. Col. Williams and Mr. Woodbridge overtakes us this evening. 5th, we wait at this place for the troops to join us. Jun. 6th, The whole of the regiment join us this day. 7th, Col. Williams marched the whole regiment for Greenbuſh, by the way of Cornameag, 13 miles this day. 8th, We marched 15 miles; lodged at a place called Walnut kill. 9th, marched 9 miles, and came to Greenbuſh. 10th, received ſtores for 7 days. 11th, we marched 6 miles; encamped near the river above the flats. 12th, we marched 5 miles; croſſed the river at the Half Moon, then marched 5 miles; lodged at Nantawamp. 18th, we marched to Still Water; encamped in the buſh. 14th, marched this day to Sallytoga 15 miles. 15th, marched to Miller's fort, 7 miles. 16th, marched to Fort Edward. 17th, we encamped on the weſt ſide of the river. 18th, Sunday made a breaſt work. 19th, This day a French gentleman came to Fort Edward with a flag of truce; a bridge of boats was alſo laid over the river 464 feet. 20th, This day the regiment got timber for a hoſpital. 21ſt, received orders to march. 23d, ſix companies of Col. Williams's regiment marched to the Half Way Brook.

25th, This day we work at building the fort at Half Way Brook. 26th, the ſame. 27th, it rained. 28th, we marched from Half Way Brook to Lake George. 29th, Col. Lyman came to the Lake. 30th, a man was ſhot. July 2, Sunday I went on guard. 3d, the General came to view the camp. 4th, we received 6 day's allowance and orders to ſail. 5th, we ſailed from Lake George to Ticonderoga. 6th, we landed the advance guard and took 130 French. 7th, Friday we marched to the mills at the falls. 8th, Saturday we went againſt the fort and was defeated. 9th, Sunday we retreated to Fort George. 10th, we received ſtores. 11th, we received powder and ball. 13th Thurſday we removed our tents to the back ſide of the fort. Sunday the 16th, Mr. Woodbridge preached a ſermon to the regiment. 17th, Col. Williams removed his camp to the old encampment. 18th, we threw up a new intrenchment. 20th, ten men from Lake George going to half way Brook were fired upon by a party of Indians, all killed and ſcalped but one; and thoſe in the fort going to aſſiſt them were beat back. Loſt in the whole 18 and five miſſing Sunday the 23d, Mr. Woodbridge preached. 24th, I went a fiſhing. 25th a man was hanged for ſtealing. Friday the 28th, the enemy laid an ambuſhment between Fort Edward and half way Brook, and deſtroyed the teams and the ſtores and killed about 20 men. Upon the news Maj. Rogers and Maj. Putnam about one o'clock in the night went out with 700 men to the South Bay to cut off the party, but were too late. Sunday the 30th, Col. Lyman with a thouſand men ſailed to Sunday Point. 31ſt, we returned to the advance guard and there received orders to return to a little iſland this ſide of firſt Narrows and there to ſend a party of men to the South Bay. Tueſday the 1ſt of Auguſt, we lay on the iſland all day, and the 2d returned to the camp. 4th, I was ſent down the lake by the General as far as the firſt Narrows with 11 men, and returned the 5th. Sunday the 6th, Mr. Woodbridge preached. 8th, Maj. Rogers and Maj. Putnam being at Fort Ann on Wood Creek with 700 men were engaged by 500 French and Indians, and they beat them off from the ground and got 52 ſcalps and 2 priſoners, and loſt 20 men, 50 wounded and 20 miſſing. Friday 11th, a flag of truce. Tueſday 29th, on the news of Louiſburg being taken, the General ordered the cannon to be fired 63 in all, and the whole army, to ſtand round the lines and to begin the fire at the Inniſkillin regiment, and ſo round the whole line three times. 31ſt, Col. William Williams's regiment was muſtered before the Brigade major. Sunday Sept. 3d, I went with a party to make a breaſtwork at the ſouth-eaſt end of the Lake. Tueſday 5th, I received a letter from Father that gave the account of Aſahel Stebbins and wife being taken at No. 4. 8th, I went from Lake George to Half way Brook with Col. Haveling [Haviland] and was ſtationed there. Saturday 9th, the picket from Fort William Henry coming to half way Brook, they ſent a ſmall party to inform the Colonel that they were a coming, was ſhot upon by the enemy, one ſergeant was killed and one man wounded. 11th, we received ſtores at half way Brook. 12th, we went to eſcort the teams from Fort Edward to Half way Brook. Friday the 22d, we were relieved from half way Brook and returned to Lake George. 24th, I went to eſcort the teams from Lake George to Half way Brook. Friday October 13th, Sergeant Patterſon returned home from Lake George. Monday 16th, Sergeant Taylor went home in order to fetch horſes. Saturday 21ſt, it ſnowed at night. Sunday 22d, we received orders to march home. 23d, marched as far as half way Brook and brought 9 bateaux with us. 24th, we came to Miller's fort. 25th we marched from Fort Miller to the Great Fley. 26th, we camped at Half way houſe. 27th, we camped at Greenbuſh. 28th, we took our allowance. Sunday Oct. 29, we marched to Canterhook. 30th, we marched to Spurr's."

Mention is made in the preceding Diary of the return home of Sergt. Patterson Oct. 13. The following petition gives the particulars:

"Y^{r} petitioner ſerved as a ſoldier in the Canada Expedition in the year 1758, in Capt. Salah Barnard's Co.: was taken ſick at Lake George Sept. 13; continued ſick there 28 days, then diſmiſſed an invalid to return home. Was at the expenſe of ſelf man and horſe ſent from home to the Lake to help me along the road being unable to travel on foot and alone, which charge amounted to $10; beſides 4 pounds I paid to the man for himſelf and horſe going to the Lake, being 20 days from the time he left home till we returned; and I was confined to my houſe 3 months more — Aſks for help from the public treaſury.

ELEAZAR PATTERSON."

Bill of Expenſes at the Lake.

	£.	s.	d.
For rum,	0	6	0
Wine,	0	9	0
3 lbs. ſugar,	0	4	6
Expenſe on the way home,	3	0	0
At home, nurſe 13 weeks at 4 ſhillings,	2	12	0
2 galls. rum,	0	12	0
1 gall. wine,	0	8	0
10 lbs. butter,	0	5	0
10 lbs. ſugar,	0	6	8
Peck of Indian flour,	0	0	8
2 lbs. oat meal,	0	0	8
12 lbs. candles,	0	6	0
1 lb. raiſins,	0	0	8
Total,	8	11	2
The General Court granted him,	3	19	0

The principal events of local interest this year, were the attack by Indians Mar. 6, on the house of Capt. Fairbanks Moor, situated on West river, when the captain and his son were killed, and the son's wife and her 4 little children were taken captives; and the attack on No. 4, Aug. 27, when Asahel Stebbins was killed, his wife with Isaac Parker and a garrison soldier taken captive. [See Genealogy.]

1759. The taking of Louisburg in July of last year, gave the English control of the eastern gate to Canada. The only strongholds held by the French outside of Montreal and Quebec, were Niagara, and the two forts at Ticonderoga and Crown Point which guarded Lake Champlain. Niagara was invested by Gen. Prideaux July 6, and was taken on the 24th. Ticonderoga was reached by the division under Gen. Amherst July 22, and after a short siege taken; when Crown Point was abandoned by the French, who retired to the Isle aux Noix, at the northern extremity of the Lake.

While these operations were going on, Gen. Wolfe was prosecuting a most important enterprise, viz. the reduction of Quebec. This brilliant achievement, which resulted in the victory on the heights of Abraham Sept. 13, and the immediate surrender of the city of Quebec closed a series of victories on the side of the English, which made the year 1759 a memorable one in American colonial history.

THE DESTRUCTION OF ST. FRANCIS.— On the same day that Wolfe defeated Montcalm on the heights of Abraham, Sept. 13, Gen. Amherst issued orders to Maj. Robert Rogers, then at Crown Point, to proceed with all despatch to Missisquoy Bay (Gray Lock's old site) and thence across the country to the village of St. Francis, and destroy the Indian settlement there. Rogers started with 200 men; but his force was reduced by various causes to 132 before reaching his destination. With this small band, he came to the outskirts of the Indian village on the evening of Oct. 4. The Indians were engaged in a festive dance, and were wholly unsuspicious of danger. Having divided his men into three parties, Rogers made his attack just before day-break, when all were in a profound slumber. Out of 300 Indians, not less than 200 were killed. Our men found, as they judged 6 or 700 English scalps suspended on poles, the trophies of former barbarities. They recovered five English prisoners, and brought away 200 guineas in money, a silver image weighing near 10 pounds, and large quantities of wampum and clothing. One officer and 6 privates of Rogers's force were wounded, and one, a Stockbridge Indian, was killed.

Without waiting for rest, and scarcely for refreshment, Rogers started on his return, by way of Memphremagog Lake, Coos and No. 4. He was followed and twice attacked by the infuriated savages, and several of his men were killed or taken. Failing to find provisions at Coos, as he had ordered, and expected, Rogers and his men were reduced to the greatest straits. In his journal he writes: "Finding a fresh fire burning in his camp [at Coos], I fired guns to bring him back, which guns he [Lieut. Stephens with the provisions] heard, but would not return, supposing we were the enemy. Our distress upon this occasion was truly inexpressible. Our spirits, greatly depressed by the hunger and fatigues we had already suffered, now almost entirely sunk within us, seeing no resource left, nor any reasonable ground to hope that we should escape a most miserable death by famine." Game was scarce; and they were forced to subsist on ground nuts and lily roots. Some perished of fatigue, and some of actual starvation. On arriving at Crown Point the first of December, Maj. Rogers found that he had lost by exposure and in other ways, since leaving the ruins of St. Francis, three lieutenants and forty-six sergeants and privates.

This sad ending of a bold and successful expedition was the result of the indifference and cowardice of Lieut. Stephens who was sent to Coos with supplies. His orders were "to await the arrival of Maj. Rogers and his men;" but he staid only two days; and returned to No. 4, taking all the provisions with him — and only hurrying his pace when he heard the signal guns of the Rangers, six miles in his rear.

The names of Northfield men, and others more or less directly connected with our history, out in the service this year, are as follows:

In Capt. John Burk's Company, Col. Timothy Ruggles's regiment, Expedition to Ticonderoga and Crown Point, March 31 to Dec. 25;

Lieut. Eben^r Bardwell,	Hatfield	Aaron Petty,	Northfield
Ens. Samuel Taylor,	Northfield	Reuben Smith	"
Sergt. Sam^l Merriman	"	Joſeph Merchant	"
Sergt. John Brown	"	Samuel Bardwell,	Hatfield
Corp^l Seth Lyman	"	Paul Belding	"
John Alexander	"	Joſeph Sanderſon Jr.	"
Joel Alexander	"	Silas Smith	"
Jonathan Burr	"	Eben^r Warner	"
Benjamin Burt	"	John Norton,	Northampton
Joel Holton	"	Caleb Pomeroy	"
Joſeph Dickinſon	"	Thomas Starr	"
John Mun Jr.	"	Aſahel Danks	"
Thomas Temple,	Roadtown.		

In Capt. Salah Barnard's Company.

Reuben Alexander, Miles Alexander, Moſes Baſcom, Ezekiel Baſcom, Joel Baker, Nehemiah How, Benj. Mun, Solomon Sartwell, Job Smith, Amos Tute, Eben^r Scott of Sunderland, who died on his return at Fort Maſſachuſetts.

Enliſted men in Col. Is. Williams's regiment.

Abner How, Amherſt
Eliſha Wait, Hatfield
Seth Wait "
Seth Murray "
Eben^{r} Belding "
Eben^{r} Belding Jr. "
Joſhua Warner "
Seth Field, Montague
Joſiah Johnſon, Erving
Abel Dinſmore, Deerfield
Iſrael Warner
Gaius Crafts, Hatfield
John Moffatt, Northfield
Jonathan Hunt "
Reuben Petty "
Eldad Wright "
Nath^{l} Chamberlain "
Sam^{l} Frizzell "
Aaron Field "
John Severance "
Elias Baſcom "
Charles Wright, Amherſt

Items. In an account, commissary William Williams charges:

	£.	s.	d.
Caſh paid Iſrael Dickinſon for rum and bringing medicines from Dr. Samuel Mattoon in Northfield to No. 4, ...	3	18	10
Paid burial Expenſes of Elijah Niles of Eaſton, Col. Willard's regiment	0	6	0
Paid burial Exp. of — Goff of Capt. Williams's company........	0	8	0
Paid Ens. Sawyer for bringing medicines from Northfield to No. 4,	0	6	0
Paid do. for self and horſe to carry J. How of Col. Willard's reg. from No. 4 to Nfd., ...	1	13	0
Paid Capt. Hunt at Nfd., for billeting J. How 6 days,................	0	9	0
Credits Dr. Sam Mattoon of Nfd., medicines, ...	3	8	0

and names the following sick men left at No. 4, Nov. 1759; Stephen Parker of Shrewsbury, of Capt. Fay's company; Simon Newton of Southboro, Capt. Fay's company; Benj. How of Upton, of Capt. Bent's company.

In October the garrisons stationed in the several towns and block-houses on our frontiers, except at Fort Dummer, were dismissed, for the reason that the possession of Crown Point and the regular operations of the army would effectually cover the settlements.

1760. The capture of Montreal was all that remained to be done to complete the conquest of Canada. Gen. Amherst, having perfected his plans, concentrated the three divisions of the army before Montreal, Sept. 6 and 7; and on the 8th, the whole Province of Canada and its dependencies were surrendered to the British crown.

The Indian depredations ceased, when the French power was broken.

Capt. Salah Barnard enlisted a large company, which joined Gen. Amherst's division, and marched for Montreal. The company was mustered Feb. 19 and dismissed Dec. 12. Among the names are:

Ens. Samuel Taylor, Northfield
Sergt. Nehemiah How, Hatfield
Sergt. Eben^{r} Stoddard, So. Hadley
Corp. John Petty, Northfield
“ Solo. Sartwell, Amherſt
“ Perez Bardwell, Hatfield
Elias Alexander, Northfield
Miles Alexander, “
Aſa Alexander “
Reuben Alexander “
Benjamin Burt “

Thomas Elgar, Northfield
Benj: Gardner “
Eben^{r} Holton “
Uriah Morſe “
Simeon Olmſted “
Abner Wright “
Daniel Wright “
Richard Wilds, Roadtown
James Wilds “
Reuben Webb, Springfield
John Conkey, Pelham

Ens. Samuel Merriman was out in one of the Hampshire regiments, in this campaign. In his diary he writes: “Aug. 25, at Isle aux Noix; Sept. 1, at St. John's; Sept. 5, at camp Shamblee; Sept. 8, we came to Montreal.”

The small pox broke out in the French army in Canada in the year 1756, and spread among some of the Indian villages. During the campaign of the present year many of the English soldiers took the disease, and were brought home sick or infected. Some of our men brought the infection to Northfield; and Ens. Samuel Merriman's house on Beers's hill (which he had built in '51 or '52) was taken by the town for a hospital. It was used through the winter and spring; and the town at a meeting in August, 1761, voted “To pay Ens. Merriman the sum of £ 11 2 0 for the use of his house and other damages sustained thereby.”

In the fall of '59 Lt. Col. Hawks cut a road through the forest from Crown Point towards No. 4; and in the early summer of '60 Col. John Goff of New Hampshire, with his regiment, opened the eastern end of this new path, beginning at Wentworth's ferry, two miles above the fort at No. 4, and running 26 miles, when he struck Col. Hawks's work.

Massachusetts levied 3000 men for the army in '61; and about the same number in '62; but the war was substantially closed. A treaty of peace was signed at Paris Feb. 10, 1763.

COST OF THE WAR.—From May 1755 to May 1763, Massachusetts raised and expended $4,217,000, of which sum four millions were proper war charges. Great Britain refunded to us one and a half millions; and the balance was borne by the Province, and was a grievous burden.

From the opening of the war to and including the year 1760, the seasons proved remarkably fruitful in New England. The colonies were able to supply the wants of the army from their own resources. But a drought set in in the spring of '61 and continued through '62, which cut short the crops, and made it necessary to send abroad for provisions to supply the ordinary wants of the people.

1761. Seth Field taught school during the fall and winter of this year, and was paid by the town 10 shillings per week.

1762. In June Uriah Morse (b. in Holliston) and Hannah his wife, who had been in Northfield during the war, removed to the town of Haverhill N. H., and were the first *family* upon the ground.

MISCELLANY.—During the disturbance of the late wars, and the absence of Indian hunting parties, and the service in the army of the settlers who were expert with a gun, wild animals increased in the forest with great rapidity, and became troublesome to the farmers. In 1754, as appears from the town files, Northfield paid a bounty on 7 wolves, 8 old bears, 8 bears' cubs, and 2 wild-cats, killed within the town limits.

The first notice of a wheeled vehicle for pleasure travelling in Northfield, is in 1763, when Lt. Jonathan Belding owned a "chair." He once let it to Eleazar Pomeroy for a journey to Northampton.

TAVERN.—Capt. Samuel Hunt kept a tavern during the period covered by this chapter. His slave boy *Mishap* was a noted character among the frequenters of the house. His charges were: for meals, 8*d.*; lodging, 2*d.*; horse keeping per night, 8*d.*; ½ a pint of rum, 8*d.*

PHYSICIAN.—Dr. Samuel Mattoon was in practice here at this date, and continued the leading physician for many years.

SHOEMAKER.—Alexander Norton commenced business in town as early as 1751, and carried on tanning and shoe-making till his old age.

CARPENTER.—Ebenezer Harvey was exercising his trade here as early as 1759.

CHAPTER X.

1763-1773.

A NEW MEETING-HOUSE — NEW SCHOOL-HOUSE — CHURCH FORMED AT HINSDALE — LOGS IN THE RIVER — SINGING — HUNT'S SAW-MILL — POTASH HOUSE — LIST OF POLLS AND ESTATES 1771 — WARNING PEOPLE OUT OF TOWN — ANNEXATION OF PEMBROKE GRANT AND HACK'S GRANT — BOUNTY ON CROWS — INDUSTRIES.

ONE of the first matters to enlist the interest of the Northfield people, when it became certain that the French power was effectually broken, and peace with the Indians was established, was the erection of a new house of worship in place of the one built in 1718.

A town meeting was called the first week in August, 1761, to consider the question, and decide whether they would build, and if so, where the house should be placed. After consideration, it was found that there was substantial unanimity in favor of a new house; but there were conflicting sentiments about the proper site for it. And it was voted to leave the selection of a site to a disinterested committee, consisting of Capt. Orlando Bridgman of Hinsdale, Dea. Enos Nash of Hadley and Joseph Barnard of Sunderland. Ens. Phinehas Wright, Ens. Thomas Alexander, Sergt. Ebenezer Stratton, Sergt. Moses Field, Aaron Burt, Seth Field Esq. and Philip Mattoon were appointed a committee "to build a meeting house on the place the committee shall determine upon."

The committee on location decided that the best place for the new house was in the middle of the street, just north of the old one. At a meeting of the town in November, 1762, it was voted to build the meeting-house on the spot staked out by the committee; to raise the sum of £20 by taxation; and to sell the town land in the Great meadow and a part of the sequestered lands, to pay for the same. The timber was got out in the course of the winter and brought upon the ground and partly framed. But some of the inhabitants became dissatisfied with the location; and a town meeting was called May 9, '63, "To determine whether the meeting-house shall be raised on the spot where the committee set the stake, or carried back to the west side of the street, or into the front of Mr. Pomeroy's and widow

Field's home-lots, if they permit it." A large majority voted to carry the house to the west side of the street. The town then proceeded to sell the Great meadow lots, and the sequestered lands lying south of the village. One mug of flip and two gallons of rum were consumed at the vendue, at the expense of the town.

The stone for the foundations of the new house were drawn and laid, and the frame raised in the early part of summer. To supply the requirements of the "raising," the committee purchased 2 barrels of New England rum, which cost £ 9 2 4, and 4 gallons of West India rum at 8 shillings per gallon.

At the meeting May 9, the town voted to build a steeple to the meeting-house; and at a meeting Dec. 12, it was voted to procure a bell. Seth Field Esq. was appointed a committee to make the purchase. Hophni King was probably the master carpenter on the meeting-house and set out the frame by the square rule. Tradition says that this was the first building in Northfield so laid out.

From various bills on file, it appears that the house was not fully boarded in the first season; and in the spring of '64 £50 additional was raised towards finishing the meeting-house. Aaron Burt sold the committee a lock for the meeting-house door, on the last of May this year, which would indicate that it was substantially enclosed. But the house was not *finished* for three years.

May 14, 1765, the town chose Capt. Samuel Hunt and Seth Field Esq. a committee "to make sale of the 50 acres of sequestered land lying in Winchester, the proceeds to be applied in payment for still further finishing the meeting-house." Dec. 29, '66, the town voted to raise the sum of £60 in order to finish the meeting-house.

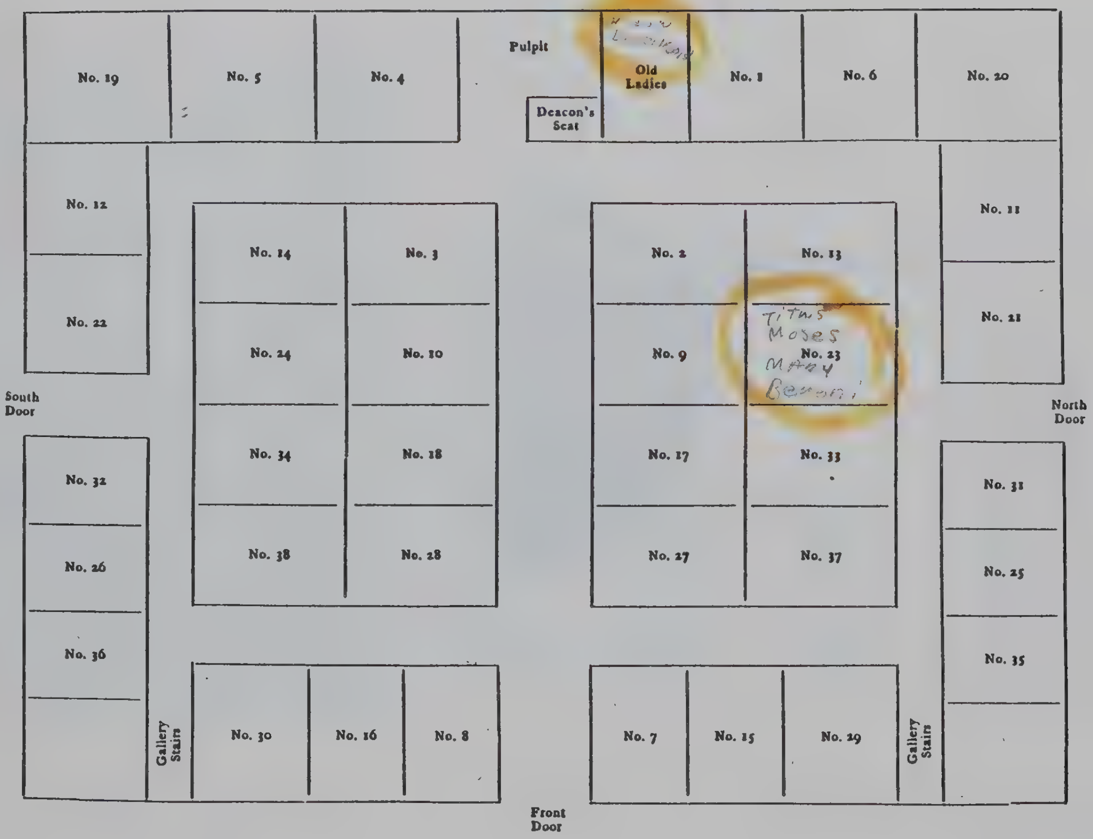
August 6, 1767, Ebenezer Walbridge gives the town a receipt for £14 8 "in full for work done at the meeting-house." He seems to have been employed in putting in the pulpit and pews; and this was the date when the house was considered as completed — though the bell was not put in place till the next year.

Sept. 8, 1767. At a town meeting this date, it was voted "To seat the meeting-house." The following committee was appointed: Capt. Samuel Hunt, Lt. Joshua Lyman, Ens. Phinehas Wright, Seth Field Esq., Sergt. Simeon Alexander, Sergt. Ebenezer Stratton, Samuel Root, Stephen Belding and Zebediah Stebbins. Voted, that Mr. Hubbard have the choice of the pews for his family.

The house then built was 55 by 44 feet, with a steeple at the north end. It stood near the west line of the street, just against the dividing line between the Parson Doolittle and the Joseph Parsons home-lots, fronting to the east. The inside was finished with ground floor, and galleries on three sides — the pulpit standing on the west side, with a sounding board suspended above. The pews were enclosed in panel work, according to the fashion of the time. The plan on the next page, reduced from one drawn by Seth Field Esq. will give an idea of the lower floor; and the peculiar numbering of the pews will indicate the "dignity" of each seat as estimated by the first committee on seating the house. [This numbering was afterwards changed — sometimes to suit the views of each new committee.] By common usage, the two pews directly in front of the pulpit ranked the highest; but the choice of a side pew (No. 1, on the plan), by Mr. Hubbard, made it proper to designate that as the highest in dignity; and the rest were numbered to correspond.

THE OLD MEETING HOUSE.

The seating of 1780. No. 1, Mr. Hubbard's family. No. 2, Esq. Field, Col. Wright, Mrs. H. Mattoon. No. 3, Eleazar Stratton, Capt. Stratton, widow Stratton, widow Mattoon. No. 4, Mr. Stebbins, Dea. Smith, Mr. Todd. No. 5, Hezekiah Stratton, Lucius Doolittle, widow Christian Field. No. 6, Capt. Hunt and family. No. 7, Ebenezer Field, Samuel Field. No. 8, Philip Mattoon, Jona. Belding. No. 9, Mr. Norton, Lieut. Janes, Samuel Mattoon. No. 10, Simeon Lyman, Lieut. Wright, Seth Lyman. No. 11, Shammah


No. 19
No. 5
No. 4
Pulpit
Old Ladies
Deacon's Seat
No. 1
No. 6
No. 20
No. 12
No. 22
South Door
No. 32
No. 26
No. 36
No. 14
No. 3
No. 24
No. 10
No. 34
No. 18
No. 38
No. 28
No. 2
No. 13
No. 9
Titus
Moses
No. 23
Mary
Benoni
No. 17
No. 33
No. 27
No. 37
No. 11
No. 21
North Door
No. 31
No. 25
No. 35
Gallery Stairs
No. 30
No. 16
No. 8
Front Door
No. 7
No. 15
No. 29
Gallery Stairs

Pomeroy, Elijah Mattoon. No. 12, Mr. Whitney and family. No. 13, Sergt. Holton, Lieut. Alexander, Capt. Alexander. No. 14, Ens. Field, Capt. Merriman, Theophilus Merriman, Mrs. Joanna Lyman. No. 15, Ebenezer Field Jr., James Lyman. No. 16, Reuben Smith, Tabitha Wright, Capt. Smith. No. 17, Zebediah Stebbins, Reuben Wright, Reuben Morgan, Noah Morgan. No. 18, William Field, Lemuel Holton, Samuel Holton. No. 19, Pedajah Field, Benjamin Brooks, John Moffatt, widow Reuben Petty, Benjamin Miller. No. 20, William Holton, Ebenezer Severance, John Mun. No. 21, George Field, Capt. H. King, widow Robbins. No. 22, Oliver Wright, Elisha Stebbins, Abner Wright. No. 23, Moses Dickinson, Titus Dickinson, Benoni Dickinson, Mary Dickinson. No. 24, Joseph Cook, David Wright, Josiah Parmenter, widow Stebbins. No. 25, Elijah Stratton, Lieut. Lyman, Dr. Marcus Marble. No. 26, Ebenezer Severance, Oliver Smith. No. 27, Elijah Holton, Elisha Alexander, John Holton. No. 28, Capt. Doolittle, Asahel Stebbins, Rufus Field. No. 29, Oliver Watriss, Eliphaz Wright. No. 30, Rufus Stratton, Samuel Field Jr. No. 31, Simeon Alexander, Medad Alexander. No. 32, A. Field, Jonathan Janes. No. 33, Nathan Flint, Nathan Prindle, John Field, Eunice Field. No. 34, Elisha Smith, Caleb Morgan, Consider Cushman, Amaziah Roberts. No. 35, H. Gaylord, Gad Corse. No. 36, Caleb Lyman, William Belcher. No. 37, Barzillai Wood, Nathaniel Sanger, E. L. Tiffany, William Askey, Peggy Petty, Ruth Miller. Old ladies pew, Mrs. Lyman, widow Dickinson, widow Wright, Mrs. Root, Mrs. Janes. There were also twenty-five singers seated in the orchestra, and about a hundred young people in the galleries, each of whom had a special seat assigned him or her.

The widow Wright swept the meeting-house, the first year after it was opened, and received therefor £ 1 6*s.* 8*d.* : Billy Field was employed that year, to ring the bell, and was paid £ 1 4*s.* 0*d.*

Sept. 22, 1768, the town voted to let out pews in the meeting-house to people living in the neighboring towns. In '69, a committee was chosen to procure stone steps and horse-blocks for the meeting-house.

1783. The town voted, that William Field be directed to ring the bell in future on the Lord's day precisely at 9 o'clock in the forenoon. Voted, that the intermissions between the public worship on the Lord's day shall be one hour from Oct. 1, to April 1; and for the months of April, May and September, the intermission shall be one and a half hours; and for June, July and August, two hours. Chose Seth Field Esq., Capt. Ebenezer Stratton and Mr. Aaron

Whitney a committee to wait on Mr. Hubbard and acquaint him of the foregoing votes of the town.

Aug. 14, 1786. The town voted, that those persons seated in the northwest corner pew in the body of the meeting house, and those in the southwest corner have liberty to make a window to each of said pews, on condition that they make them at their own cost and expense.

The meeting house was seated anew, in '72, '80, '86, and so once in 5 to 8 years, till 1830. The number of heads of families and old people, who were assigned seats below, in 1780, was 103; in '86, 133; in 1818, 268.

1787. The house remained unpainted till 1789. At the annual town meeting in '87, it was voted to raise the sum of £12, "to repair and *colour* the meeting-house." But this improvement was a matter of time. In '88, many of the farmers took extra pains with their flax fields; and in the winter the town bought of them their surplus seed, amounting to 42½ bushels, at 3*s.* 6*d.* per bushel. The flax-seed was sent to Boston by teams, where it was exchanged for paints and oil; and the house was colored in the summer of '89.

This house stood till 1833.

New School House.— When it was determined to build a new meeting house in 1762, it was also voted to remove the old school house (which stood just where it was first decided to set the meeting house) into the lane by Capt. Hunt's. The matter was delayed, and in '64 the town voted to build a new school house, 21 × 20 feet and 7 feet stud, with a chimney at the north end. This was set in the lane aforesaid, and stood till 1797 or 98, when the present house was built on the same spot.

The town had but one school district proper, and one school house, till 1781. Seth Field kept school for about 20 weeks in most of the years between 1736 and 1775, at 10*s.* per week; and for many years Phinehas Wright was paid by the town for teaching a longer or shorter time. In '65 he kept a school 6½ months; in '69, 24 weeks; in '72, 25 weeks, at 5*s.* per week. In '73 Lydia Warner kept school 18 weeks at 5*s.* per week. In '79 the town voted to pay Mr. Daniel Babbitt 100 dollars continental currency per month and his board, for keeping the town school so long as he shall keep said school. In '85, Mr. Abishai Colton of Longmeadow was employed as school master. To account for two school masters and but one school house, it is to be considered that Esq. Field kept what was called the winter school, and Ens. Wright the summer school. It is also known that Mr. Wright kept a school in his dwelling house as did also his wife; and it is not unlikely that two schools were going on at the same time. And as early as 1765, and thenceforth, the town made appropriations for a school among the farmers in the south part of the territory. This latter appropriation varied from £3 to £12. In December 1768, the town voted to raise £6 for the support of a school at the Farms; and that their proportion of the winter school rate shall be improved for a school amongst themselves, and be under the direction of the selectmen as well with regard to the master as to the time and place of keeping the school. The selectmen acted as school committee till '83, when the several districts were allowed to manage their several schools in their own way. After this date however, the selectmen were empowered to take charge of the schools till 1800, when a school committee was chosen by the town.

No mention is made of a school on the west side of the river till 1775, when 20 shillings was appropriated for a school at the south farms on that side; and in 1780 Moses Dickinson, Titus Dickinson and Nathan Prindle were allowed to have their proportion of the school money for a school among themselves.

From 1780 to 1792, 60 pounds was usually raised for schools; in the latter year it was increased to 80 pounds.

In some years the town voted "to hire a master to instruct in reading, writing and *singing*, for one month in addition to the usual winter school.

A new Church in Hinsdale. August 14, 1763, Capt. Orlando Bridgman, Peter Evens and wife, Thomas Taylor and wife were dismissed from the church in Northfield "to lie in the foundation of the church in Hinsdale."

Logs for Ship Timber.—The Indians had not burnt over the country above West river; and the meadows in Putney and vicinity were covered with a magnificent growth of yellow pines. As early as 1732 parties were sent hither by New London merchants to cut mast timber. Enough to load a vessel was floated down in the spring of '33; and at one time that season there were 70 men in the woods at Great Meadow cutting and preparing another ship load. After the new Province line was run, the New Hampshire authorities claimed all this timber as within their jurisdiction. In 1763, immense numbers of logs broke away in the spring freshet, and lodged on the meadows in the different towns on the river. The inhabitants and the town authorities took possession of these logs, and resisted the agents of Gov. Wentworth, who were sent to reclaim them. In April of this year, 266 logs were seized by the selectmen of Northfield within the town limits. There was a fierce contention; and it is not known which party kept possession.

SINGING.— This part of religious worship had an important place in the Sabbath services, in our fathers' time. And as few, except the pastor and deacons had books, it was customary to "deacon" or "line" the psalm; i. e. after the minister had read the psalm or hymn, the senior deacon would rise, face the congregation, and read off the first line, which would then be sung; then the second line, which would be sung; and so on to the end of the psalm. As most of the psalms had six or eight stanzas, the time occupied was considerable — or would be thought so, *now*.

The practice of "lining the psalm," which was one of the cherished prerogatives of the deacon's office, was abolished in this town at a comparatively early date, as the following vote will show:

Jan 11, 1770, The town voted, "That hereafter the singers shall sing altogether without the deacon's reading the psalm line by line, except at the Lord's table, when the deacon is to read, and at no other time; this to begin the first Sabbath in March next."

At the same meeting it was voted to choose a committee to make the hind seats in the front gallery into four pews for the convenient seating of the singers. And in November, Mr. Seth Hastings was hired one month, to teach the youth of Northfield the art of singing.

Saw-mill. In 1763 or '64 Capt. Samuel Hunt built a saw-mill on the first Salmon brook (now in Vernon Vt.).

POTASH HOUSE.— At a meeting in 1765, the town voted to allow Seth Field and others to put up a potash house in the south lane, by Nehemiah Wright's home-lot. This house was set on what was afterwards known as the second 6 × 12 lot. The ashes were bought of the villagers and farmers, at 8*d.* per bushel; and the great consumption of wood in the open fire-places of those days, yielded a large amount of ashes, which thus became a source of considerable income. The company commenced boiling in October, and continued through the cold season, or as long as the stock lasted. The potash was in part consumed in the town and vicinity; and the balance was sent to Boston. In '67, the potash sent to Boston brought £34 18*s.* 9*d*; cost of freight £6 6*s.* 4*d.* In '68 the net loss of the works to the partners was £1 3*s.* 0*d.* 1*f.* each. In '69 the net profit to each partner was £0 6*s.* 3*d.* 3*f.* The business was carried on for many years; and with varying results.

1771. The town was fined for neglecting to send a representative to the General Court.

Polls and Estates, Northfield 1771.

	Polls.	Dw. Ho.		Polls.	Dw. Ho.		Polls.	Dw. Ho.
Jonathan Belding,	1	1	Reuben Wright,	1	1	Elias Bascom,	2	1
Jonathan Belding Jr.,	2	1	David Wright,	1	1	Medad Pomeroy,		
Ebenezer Field Jr.,	1	1	Zebediah Stebbins,	1	2	George Field,	1	1
Martha Dickinson,			Benjamin Wright,	1		Rufus Field,	1	
Nathan Fisk,	1		Joseph Stebbins,	1	1	Seth Field,	1	1
Oliver Taylor,	1		William Field,	1	1	Eleazar Stratton,	1	1
Benoni Dickinson,	1	1	Mary Wright,		1	Hezekiah Stratton,	2	1
Alexander Norton,	2	1	Elisha Stebbins,	1		Ebenezer Severance,	2	1
Elihu Lyman,	1	1	Shammah Pomeroy,	1	1	Ebenezer Severance Jr.,	1	1
Aaron Burt,	2	1	Eleazar Stratton,	1	1	Reuben Petty,	1	1
Simeon Lyman,	1	1	Philip Mattoon,	1	1	Reuben Smith,	1	1
Elisha Smith,			Samuel Smith,	2	1	Pedajah Field,	3	1
John Holton,	3	1	Oliver Smith,	1		Hophni King,	1	1
John Larrabee,	1		Samuel Field,	2	1	Benjamin Miller,	1	1
Titus Dickinson,	1		Paul Field,	1	1	Samuel Mattoon,	2	1
Moses Dickinson,		1	Joshua Lyman,	1	1	Aaron Whitney,	1	1
Eldad Wright,	1	2	James Lyman,	1		John Brown,	1	
Lucius Doolittle,	1	1	Ebenezer Field,	2	1	Moses Stockwell,	1	1
Samuel Root,	4	1	Moses Field,	1	1	John Moffatt,	1	1
Simeon Alexander,	3	1	Phinehas Wright,	2	1	Bradford Newcomb,	1	1
Seth Lyman,	1	1	Eliphas Wright,	1		John Farrar,	1	1
Abner Wright,	1		Joanna Holton,		1	William Askey,	1	
Stephen Belding,			Samuel Holton,	1	1	Gad Corse,	1	
Ebenezer Harvey,	1	1	Elijah Holton,			Samuel Merriman Jr.,	1	
Thomas Alexander,	1	1	Elijah Mattoon,	1	1	John Allen,	1	
Eleazar Pomeroy,	1	2	Ebenezer Janes,	1	1	Asahel Stebbins,	1	
Oliver Wright,	1	1	Noah Munn,	3	1	Cyrus Stebbins,	1	
Abraham Parkhurst,	1		William Holton,	2	1	Israel Warner,		
Samuel Warner,	1	1	Benjamin Brooks,	2	1	George Robbins,	1	
Elisha Hunt,	1	1	Lemuel Holton,	1		Eleazar Holton,		
Oliver Watriss,	1	1	Samuel Merrriman,	1	1			

Number of rateable polls, 106; not rateable, 10. Number of dwelling houses, 65. Alexander Norton had a tan house; Simeon Alexander a blacksmith's shop; Elias Bascom a clothier's shop and saw-mill; Aaron Whitney a store; Stephen Belding and Ebenezer Janes grist mills, and Jona. Belding a saw-mill. Paul Field was taxed for one slave. The number of horses 3 years old and over was 107; oxen 4 years old 131; cows 3 years old 220; sheep 1 year old 437; barrels of cider made 168; acres of tillage land 1268; bushels of corn grown 7701; acres of English mowing 251; tons of English hay 354.

Warning persons out of town. The custom prevailed at this date throughout the province, of "warning out of town" all transient persons, and all who did not purchase real estate, and all strangers not vouched for by some inhabitant. When a stranger moved into town to reside, the person into whose family or tenement he came, was required to give notice to the selectmen, of the name of such stranger or strangers, the place whence he came, his pecuniary circumstances and the date of his coming to town. The selectmen would then, at their discretion, allow him to remain, or order him to be "warned and cautioned as the law directs." A person so warned was prevented from gaining a settlement, and the town escaped liability for his support. The process implied nothing against the character of the individual or family; and it often happened that such warned persons eventually became honored and wealthy citizens. The following warrant, which was served upon the parties named, will show the intent and manner of the warning:

"Hampſhire ss:

To Reuben Wright conſtable of the town of Northfield in ſ^{d} county of Hampſhire, Greeting: *Whereas* sundry persons herein mentioned, lately came into and do now reſide in the town of Northfield (where they are not inhabitants freeholders or proprietors) to the hurt and damage of ſ^{d} town, viz: Abraham Parker of Richmond in New Hampſhire, and Hannah his wife, and Abraham Jun., Hannah Jun., John, Solomon, David, Ruth and Betty Parker, minors, all ſons and daughters of the above named Abraham and Hannah Parker; and Edward Lyman Tiffany of Lebanon in Connecticut, Thomas Richardſon of Cheſhire in New Hampſhire, and William Aſkey ſuppoſed to be a deſerter from the regular Troops: And *whereas* the town of Northfield may be obliged to be at charge for the relief and ſupport of the above named perſons, by their reſiding in ſ^{d} town until they become proper inhabitants of the ſame, in caſe they or either of them ſhall ſtand in need;

Now to prevent the ſame

You are hereby required in his Majeſty's name forthwith to notify and warn the above named perſons, to depart and leave the ſ^{d} town of Northfield, within the ſpace of fourteen days from the day of ſ^{d} warning, if they would avoid being conveyed away by warrants from the proper authorities, to their reſpective towns or regiment; and that they nor either of them return back again or obtrude themſelves upon the town of Northfield by reſiding within the ſame, leſt they be proceeded againſt as vagabonds. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant and your doings thereon into the next Court of Quarter Seſſions.

Dated at Northfield, Jan. 22, 1771.

PHINEHAS WRIGHT
SIMEON LYMAN
EBENEZER JANES

Selectmen of Northfield.

In the year 1790, 25 families were thus warned, many of whom purchased real estate, and became citizens, and their descendants are now among our best people. In '92, 6 families; and in '93, 16 families or individuals received warning.

THE PEMBROKE FARM AND HACK'S GRANT.— Dec. 16, 1772, the town chose Seth Field Esq. an agent, to present a petition to the General Court, that the fine for not sending a representative be remitted : Also for a grant of the 250 acres of country land within the town limits : Also that 500 acres of land granted to the town of Pembroke and laid out adjoining to the town of Northfield, and 150 acres granted to William Hack, be annexed to Northfield.

June 23, 1773, an act was passed for annexing the two tracts above named to Northfield ; but no action of the legislature in regard to the country land can be found.

NOXIOUS ANIMALS.— The town offered a bounty of 6 pence for every old crow, and 3 pence for every young crow that should be killed within the town limits. In 1772, bounties were paid as follows: Moses Field, 4 crows ; Oliver Wright, 10 ; Abraham Roberts, 1 ; Cyrus Stebbins, 2 ; Abner Field, 6 ; Oliver Watriss, 2 ; Hezekiah Stratton, 2 ; Ebenezer Janes, 5 ; Samuel Holton, 1 young and Dea. Field 4 young and 1 old crow.

A bounty of 10 pounds was offered to any inhabitant of Northfield, who should kill a grown wolf any where between Miller's river and the Ashuelot, and the east and west bounds of the town ; and bounties varying from 6 shillings to 4 dollars were offered for wild cats killed within the above named limits.

INDUSTRIES.— Elias Bascom set up a clothier's shop, and a sawmill as early as 1770. Hophni King the carpenter was in town in '63 ; Ebenezer Walbridge in '66 ; and David Barrett carpenter and wheelwright in '65. Ebenezer Field opened a house of entertainment in '71 or '72 ; and Hezekiah Stratton had a tavern at the farms somewhat earlier, perhaps in '63. Aaron Whitney commenced business as a trader here in '70. Eleazar and Josiah Pomeroy had a store some years earlier. Dr. Medad Pomeroy was in practice as a physician in Northfield in '68 and 9, and in the latter year removed to Warwick. Dr. Isaac Hurlburt came in town just before the opening of the Revolutionary war.

CHAPTER XI.

War of the Revolution.

NORTHFIELD as a border town had been so thoroughly schooled in the realities of war, that our people were prepared to estimate truly the duties and dangers of the impending struggle with the mother country. Hence there was less of violence and turbulence in words and acts when the contest came, and more tolerance of sentiment between conservatives and patriots, than in the commercial centres and in some of the interior and the more recently settled towns. There was no hesitancy in discussing grievances, and no backwardness in protesting against the arbitrary measures of the British government; and when the time came, the sword was cheerfully and promptly taken.

The part borne by Northfield in the war which resulted in the independence of the American colonies, is best exhibited in the action of the town and the men sent into the service of the country.

When the Revenue Act was passed, laying a duty on several articles of luxury and necessity, most of the families in this town, quietly but with singular unanimity, resolved to forego entirely the use of tea, and of foreign calicoes and woolen dress goods, and return to sage and red-root, and the flaxen and woolen homespun stuffs of earlier days. A fair sample of the change in public sentiment and practice is seen in the fact, that in 1771 the number of sheep owned in Northfield was 437; and in 1777 the number had increased to 2116. Probably the acreage of flax grown had increased in the same ratio. The spinning wheels were restored to their place in the kitchen; the looms were repaired; and the younger girls became ambitious to learn all the mysteries of making and dyeing cloths and bedding.

1774. Sept. 1, Gov. Gage issued his proclamation convening the General Court at Salem Oct. 5. In response, Northfield elected Ens. Phinehas Wright as representative. And notwithstanding the governor revoked his proclamation, Ens. Wright with 90 others met at Salem, organized themselves into a Provincial Congress, and then adjourned to meet at Concord Oct. 11. After a session of three days, they adjourned to Cambridge, and continued their sittings from Oct. 17 to

Dec. 10. Mr. Wright was paid by the town £9 12*s.* 6*d.* lawful money, for his expenses and time.

At a meeting held in December, the town instructed the assessors not to levy a Province tax, and agreed to indemnify them for any trouble or cost which might ensue from such neglect.

1775. At a town meeting Jan. 13, Mr. Ebenezer Janes was chosen a delegate to the Provincial Congress to be held at Cambridge February first next.

At the same meeting, Dea. Samuel Smith, Ens. Phinehas Wright, Dea. Samuel Root, Ens. Thomas Alexander and Seth Field Esq. were appointed a committee of inspection. And Lieut. Ebenezer Janes and Mr. Aaron Whitney were chosen a committee to receive the donation for the poor at Boston, and transmit the same to the committee at Boston.

It was also voted, "that the selectmen give orders that such of the Minute Men belonging to this town, that are not able to supply themselves with ammunition for any expedition that they may be called to, be supplied out of the town's stock whenever they shall be called forth."

A company of Minute Men, consisting of 26 belonging to Northfield and 25 belonging to Warwick, was organized the preceding autumn, and had been in training under Joseph Allen and Gad Corse.

April 3. The town voted to pay 24 shillings to Joseph Allen, and 7 shillings to Gad Corse, for instructing the Minute Men in the military exercise.

Extract from records of second Provincial Congress: April 5, *Voted*, That as the present delegate from Northfield, Mr. Ebenezer Janes being sick, and unable to attend, the inhabitants be desired to add another man to him, in order to a full expression of opinion.

THE LEXINGTON ALARM.— The battle at Lexington was fought April 19; and the alarm reached Northfield about noon on the 20th. The long roll was beaten by Elihu Lyman; and before night Capt. Wright and his Minute Men were on the way to Warwick and Cambridge.

Muſter-Roll of Capt. Eldad Wright's Co. of Minute Men that marched from Northfield and Warwick to Cambridge April y^{e} 20th, 1775, *in Col. Samuel Williams's regiment.*

Northfield men.

Capt. Eldad Wright,
Serg^{t}. Eliphaz Wright,
" Hophni King,

Warwick men.

Lieut. Thomas Rich,
Serg^{t}. Joſeph Mayo,
" Abraham Barns,

Corp. John Holton,
" Oliver Smith,
Fifer, Cotton Dickinſon,
Drummer, Elihu Lyman,
Eldad Alexander,
Cyrus Stebbins,
Moſes Root,
Joſeph Allen,
Auguſtus Belding,
Ebenezer Petty,
Rufus Carver,
Eliſha Alexander,
Luther Fairbanks,
Thomas Stebbins,
George Robbins,
Joſeph Fuller,
Barzillai Wood,
Eliſha Stebbins,
Benjamin Miller,
Elijah Riſley,
Nathan Fiſk,
William Clemmens,
David Goodenough,
Corp. Seth Peck,
" Henry Burnet,
Daniel Whitney,
John Whiting,
Samuel Denny,
William Pitcher,
Jotham Merriam,
Iſaac Burnet,
William Burnet,
Aſahel Newton,
Simeon Stearns,
Francis Leonard,
Wilder Stevens,
Jonathan Gale,
Caleb Rich,
Stephen Gould,
Peter Ripley,
Gove Stephens,
John Mayo,
Jedediah Gould,
Samuel Griffiths,
William Bradley.

Rations allowed; from Northfield, 16 shillings 8 pence per man; and from Warwick, 15 shillings 6 pence lawful money, to and from the camp. Capt Wright and about half his men were in service 4 weeks and 2 days; others were out 23 days; and some returned in a less time.

The townspeople that gathered on the alarm, organized a meeting and chose a committee of correspondence, viz.: Dea. Samuel Smith, Ens. Phinehas Wright, Dea. Samuel Root, Ens. Thomas Alexander and Seth Field Esq.

The following despatch received on the day of its issue will indicate the vigilance of the people:

"Montague April 30, 1775.

By this you are informed that there is a Poſt ſent out from New York to General Gage, with a packet. You are deſired to intercept him, or follow him, if any intelligence can be had of him on either ſide of the River. His name is Oliver Delarsee; he is a bluff fat young man, 22 years of age, born in New York, and rides a Dutch trotting horſe. His packet is ſuppoſed to be conſigned [for deception] to Mr. Hancock or Adams, or ſome other popular gentleman. Pleaſe to inſpect thoſe that may take his packet, and carry it down to Boſton. Inſpect taverns, ferries, and all ſuſpected perſons.

Moses Gun,
Chair^n Com. of Corr.

To Com. of Corr. Northfield.

May 22. Ensign Phinehas Wright was chosen a delegate "to represent the town at the Provincial Congress to be holden at Watertown on the 31st day of May instant, and to be continued by adjournment as they shall see cause until the expiration of six months and no longer."

July 14. The town chose Ens. Phinehas Wright representative to serve at the General Court to be held at Watertown on the 19th of July instant.

1776. At the annual meeting, March 4, the town chose Col. Phinehas Wright, Dea. Samuel Smith, Seth Field Esq., Dea. Samuel Root, Lieut. Simeon Alexander, committee of correspondence, inspection and safety. *Voted*, that said committee keep a fair record of all their proceedings. *Voted*, that the selectmen be impowered to procure spades, pickaxes, etc. according to an act of the General Court, and to draw money out of the town treasury to pay for the same.

In the February preceding a company had been recruited at Northfield and vicinity, and had made choice of Thomas Alexander as captain. The first of March this company was ordered to join the expedition against Canada.

Muſter-Roll of Capt. Thomas Alexander's Company.

Capt. Thos. Alexander,
Lt. Peter Biſhop,
“ Noadiah Warner,
“ Jacob Pool,
Ens. Abner Nims,
Serg^{t} John Hendrick,
“ Moſes Watkins,
“ Arad Sheldon,
“ John Ball,
Corp. Barth. Bartlett,
“ Jacob Town,
Drummer, Jas. Warren,
John Beaman,
Joab Belding,
George Wilſon,
George Robbins,
Joſeph Allen,
Cephas Sheldon,
Samuel Marſh,
Joſiah Gaylord,
Eben^{r} Martendale,
Samuel Dean,
Reuben Sheldon,
Richard Lucas,
Charles Carter,
Uriah Weeks,
Hazel Ranſom,
Philip Maxwell,
William Clark,
Jonathan Robbins,
Ephraim Potter,
Moſes Cook,
Charles Hutſon,
Edw. Skinner,
Jonathan Gleaſon,
Ephraim Town,
Ebenezer Scott,
Lemuel Roberts,
Elijah Town,
Simon Leonard,
Hophni Rider,
Elias Parmenter,
John Dewey,
James Whalen,
Charles Campbell,
Malachi Wilſon,
Obadiah Wells,
Ezekiel Foſter,
Ezra Foſter,
Nath^{l} Brown Dodge,
Levi Prutt,
Quartus Alexander,
Timothy Force,
Jeduthan Morſe,
Aſa Barton,
Silas Town,
Ebenezer Petty,
Samuel Goodale,
Elnathan Pritchard,
John Ranſom,
Stephen Ralph or Rolph,
Lemuel Martendale,
Francis Mun.

Capt. Alexander kept a Diary for a part of the time he was out. This and his petition to the General Court, furniſh important materials for a history of this unfortunate expedition.

"March yͤ 6th, 1776. Then I marched from Northfield with a number of men to Hadley 26 miles, for the expedition to Canada, and tarried there till the 12th, and then marched to Williamſburg, and put up at Fairfield's. 13th, marched to Worthington and lay at Miller's one day. 15th, we marched to Eaſt Hooſuck to Mr. Wright's. 16th, marched 6 miles to Mr. Jones's. 17th, marched to Bennington, 15 miles and lay there one day. 19th, marched to Shaftsbury to Mr. Galuſha's ; from thence to Arlington to Mr. Halley's. 20th, marched thro' a corner of Sunderland and then into Mancheſter to Mr. French's ; from thence to Mr. Kent's at Dorſet. 21ſt, marched to Eaſtman's in Rupert, and thro' Paulet, and to Merriman's in Wells. 22d, we marched from Wells to Poultney and Caſtleton 14 miles. 23d, marched from Caſtleton to Hubbardſton 9 miles. 24th, marched from thence to Sudbury to Mr. Morſe's 9 miles, then to Mr. Earl's in Shoreham 12 miles to Shoreham Lake. 25th, marched thence acroſs the Lake to Ticonderoga. 29th, marched from thence to a point of land 5 miles, and there encamped. 30th, marched to Crown Point 10 miles.

April 14th, ſailed from Crown Point and lodged at Baſon harbor. 15th, ſailed and lodged at Cumberland head. 16th, ſailed to Saint Johns and lodged there, the whole is 120 miles, and I ſtayed there.

April 17th, Major Butterfield, Capt. Eaſterbrooks and Capt. Wilkins came to St. Johns. April 18th, Capt. Shaw arrived at St. Johns from the Point.

April 19th, Colonel Porter, Capt. Lyman and Capt. Shepard came to St. Johns.

April 21ſt, I ſailed from St. Johns and joined the regiment at Shamblee. 22d, ſailed for Quebec. 23d, ſailed 9 miles down the River Lapare to the mouth. 24th, we ſailed 19 leagues down the St. Lawrence, and at Three Rivers I left Lieut. Pool and 25 men. 25th, we ſailed to P—— 16 leagues, and lay there one day. 27th, we ſailed and landed at Salary ? and marched from thence 4 miles to Head quarters at Quebeck.

May 2d, General Thomas came to Quebeck, and Friday the 3d Capt. Bacon, Capt. Lyman, Capt. Shepard and myſelf went from Quebeck to Point a trumble and arrived there the 4th. The 5th, got into quarters ; the 6th, our men retreated from Quebeck. It was from the 7th to the 13th before I arrived at Sorell, being all ſick with the ſmall pox, and I went up the river Sorell 6 miles to a place called Santtane ? and there abode with my men from the 13th to the 23d ; and the 23d I had orders to go up to Shamblee, where we arrived the 25th at night, and remained there to the 5th day of June. June 5th, the colonel had orders to ſail from Shamblee to Sorell, with Capt. Chapin, Capt. Bacon, Capt. Lyman, Capt. Shepard and myſelf.

June the 2d, which is Sunday, General Thomas died, and was buried in the afternoon.

June 6th, we arrived at Sorell. The 8th I went on the main guard, and the ſhipping at the Three Rivers began to fire early in the morning at our men who were ordered to take poſſeſſion of Three Rivers, and the enemy by land attacked them in the front, and our men fought on a retreat. Our force engaged conſiſted of 2000; the enemy of 5 or 6000. We were in the utmoſt concern leſt ours had fallen into the hands of the enemy; but Monday the 10th, we had refreſhing news that our men were returning to the camp. And the ſame day at night Colonel Maxfield came into the camp with a large party of the men, and 'tis ſuppoſed that there was not more than 20 men miſſing. General Thompſon is taken. June 14th, the whole army decamped from Sorell to go to Shamblee. Thoſe of us that were in the bateaux ſailed in the night; and when we had got within a league and a half of Shamblee we heard that the fort was beſet by the enemy. But it proved a miſtake; and when we got there we went to drawing the ſtores over the Rapids. The 16th 17th we did the ſame. The 17th, we left Shamblee in flames and marched to St. Johns and camped there; and the 18th we ſailed to Iſle-au-noix, and left St. Johns in flames. On the 21ſt one of our boats went down towards St. Johns to a French houſe to drink beer, and the enemy came on them and killed one captain and one enſign and two privates, and took ſeven priſoners. The 26th which is Wedneſday, we ſailed from Iſle-au-noix to the Iſle of Mot, which is 21 miles, and there lay, the whole army being collected in order to go to Crown Point. Friday which is the 28th, we ſailed for Crown Point, and lay at Cumberland head[*]; and the 29th we ſailed to Schiler's Iſland, and lay there. Sunday the 30th we ſailed to Gillolan's Creek. July 1ſt, we ſailed to Crown Point and there encamped. July 5th, Serg^t Francis Mun, John Ranſom and Charles Carter diſcharged. July 9th, Timothy Force was diſcharged. July 16th, the news arrived at head-quarters that the Congreſs had declared Independence. Day of rejoicing that. The colonel invited all his officers to his tent, and gave them a treat at the hearing of the news.

July the 17th, our regiment ſailed to Ticonderoga; and the 18th, I went back to the Point under command with 60 men. July 29th, Joſiah Gaylord died. Aug. 16th, Samuel Goodale died.

Ticonderoga Aug. 20th, George Robbins and Jona. Robbins returned to their duty from their deſertion. Aug. 30th, Simon Leonard died. Sept. 10th, Stephen Rolph received a furlough for 15 days. Sept. 16th, Aſa Barton was diſcharged. Sept. 18th, Jeduthan Morſe died. Sept. 20th, Silas Town was diſcharged."

The rest of the story of this campaign is told in the following petition, dated May 27, 1778:

"Whereas y^r petitioner marched with a company under his command, in Col. Porter's regiment, March 6th, 1776, and after a very long and tedious march arrived at Quebeck about the laſt of April; and in a ſhort time after the army was obliged to retreat from Quebeck. In the retreat y^r petitioner as well as the reſt of the army paſſed through a ſeries of unparalleled dangers., hardſhips and diſtreſs, and arrived at Ticonderoga about the 17th of July, where with his company continued until November 18: when he with thoſe of his company who ſurvived and were able, marched for Albany; and from thence, to New Jerſey, and joined Gen. Waſhington's army the beginning of December, where they continued till the laſt of the month, when the time for which they were engaged expired. But at the requeſt of the inhabitants they were deſired by the General to ſtay 15 days longer; and they in compaſſion to the people conſented to remain that term of time; at the expiration of which they were diſcharged. And your petitioner on his return homeward near Peekſkill, met with an unhappy fall upon the ice whereby one of his hips was greatly hurt, and the bone diſlocated, which confined him there ſome time, and occaſioned very extreme pain, and much coſt to get home; and ſince his return he has been at conſiderable charge in applying to ſurgeons for relief of his lameneſs by reason of ſaid fall; but yet remains very much of a cripple, and fears he ever ſhall.

Therefore y^{r} petitioner moſt humbly prays that y^{r} Honors would conſider his circumſtances, and graciouſly grant unto him what you in your wiſdom ſhall judge reaſonable and equitable for the damage he has ſuſtained in ſerving his country, and in duty bound ſhall ever pray

Y^{r} Honors moſt humble ſerv^{t}
THOMAS ALEXANDER"

Names of the men in Capt. A's company at Morriſtown Dec. 1776.

Capt. Thomas Alexander,
Lieut.—— ——,
Sergt. John Ball,
" Arad Sheldon,
Sergt. John Hendrick,
Corp. Bartholomew Bartlett,
" George Wilſon,
John Dewey,
John Beaman,
Charles Carter,
Levi Prutt,
Joab Belding,
Quartus Alexander,
Reuben Sheldon,
Cephas Sheldon,
Lemuel Roberts,
Jacob Town,
William Clark.

A considerable number of the men that enlisted in Capt. Alexander's company were from Bernardston and Warwick, and some from towns down the river.

In July, Capt. Samuel Merriman enlisted a company of 5 months men, for an expedition to Ticonderoga. The following are the Northfield names:

Capt. Samuel Merriman,
Moſes Belding,
Cephas Alexander,
Eldad Alexander,
John Farrar,
Solomon Holton,
Auguſtus Belding,
Thomas Stebbins,
Moſes Smith,
James Hunt,
Cyrus Stebbins,
Thomas Elgar,
Dennis Stebbins,
Alpheus Morgan,

In Capt. Agrippa Wells's Co. of 3 *month's men*, muſtered Sept. 1, are the following men from Northfield: Second Lieut. Miles Alexander, Nathan Holton, Samuel Frizzell.

Liſt of 2 *months men* deſtined for Horſe Neck or White Plains, enliſted at Northfield September 1776: Elihu Root, Reuben Field, Nathan Field, Nathaniel Billings, Stephen Billings, Aſa Stratton, Jonathan Janes, Edward L. Tiffany, Elijah Stratton, Noah Morgan, Jona. Loveland, Levi Field, Ithamar Goodenough.

Names of men enliſted at Northfield in December 1776, to go to Danbury: Nathan Prindle, Titus Dickinſon, David Smith, Joſeph Roſe, Moſes Smith, Samuel Slarrow, —— Baldwin, Samuel Temple, Iſhmael Turner, John Stearns, —— Sikes, William King, Ezra King, Simeon King.

Mr. Aaron Whitney was the leading merchant in town, and the town's stock of ammunition was kept at his store. Early in July some suspicion arose (which proved to be without foundation) that he was tinctured with toryism; and on the 9th, a warrant was issued for a town meeting the next day; at which it was voted "to remove the town's stock of ammunition from Mr. Whitney's store to some other place." Voted, that the ammunition shall be kept at three several places in three different parts of the town, until further orders. Capt. King and Gad Corse were appointed a committee to receive money to procure arms and ammunition, of all those persons in the town that will contribute money to purchase the same.

Nov. 7. "*Resolved.* That it is the mind and will of the inhabitants of the town of Northfield, and do consent that the present house of representatives of this state of Massachusetts Bay in New England, together with the Council, if they consent in one body with the house, should agree on and enact such a constitution and form of government for this State, as the said House and Council shall judge most conducive to the safety, peace and happiness of the state."

1777. The committee of correspondence and safety this year, were, Dea. Samuel Smith, Dea. Samuel Root, Lieut. Simeon Alexander, Capt. Samuel Merriman and Lieut. Ebenezer Janes.

PEST HOUSE.— The town voted "to build a house 16×30 feet and 7 feet stud, to receive persons infected with the small pox; said house to be fixed where the selectmen shall determine." It was located near Strobridge hill.

Northfield sent her full quota of men to the service of the war this year.

Thomas Elgar enlisted in Capt. Leonard's company, Col. Shepherd's regiment May 1, and continued in said company till Dec. 31, 1779.

There were in service at Ticonderoga, Lieut. James Lyman, Samuel Field, Thaddeus Brooks, Benjamin Dike, Nathaniel Billings, Benoni Dickinson, Moses Burt, Archibald Clandanel, Ebenezer Field.

Among the 3 months men, were Asahel Stebbins, John Mun, J. Church, Joseph Smead.

Col. Phinehas Wright was in command of a regiment out in the campaign which resulted in the surrender of Burgoyne.

"Moses Dickinson Field was at the battle of Bennington August 16, and served at Lieut. The company was held in reserve till near the close of the action. On the march to the front, a horse and wagon, filled and surrounded with British officers, apparently in consultation, was seen at some distance off in the road. As the horse in color answered to the one described the day before as belonging to Col. Baum, Lieut. Field, who was noted as an excellent marksman at long range, managed by the cover of a large oak tree, to get within shooting distance of the officers. His gun would prime itself, and he fired several shots in rapid succession, till the barrel became heated, when he hurried on to overtake his company. On the return of the men to their camp, after the battle, Lieut. Field went to the spot where the wagon had stood, and found the ground 'as bloody as if you had been butchering hogs;' and learned that Col. Baum lay in a block-house near by, mortally wounded. The wagon, which was left at the place, contained a large military chest. He felt confident, as he has repeatedly told the writer, that one of his shots inflicted the wound of which the British commander died.

"Moses Field (father of the Lieut. above named) was at work in Bennett's meadow, with three of his younger boys, on the day of the Bennington fight. They distinctly heard the report of the guns, and knew that a battle was in progress. After listening awhile, the father remarked: 'I know that there is a battle going on, and I have got a boy in it; I can't work; I must go home.' The next day came the news of the victory, and his son's safety." *Letter of Dea. Phinehas Field.*

Muſter-roll of Capt. Peter Proctor's Company, Lieut. Col. Williams's Regiment, that marched to reinforce the Northern Army, July 10—Aug. 12, 1777.

Capt. Peter Proctor,
Lieut. Eben^{r} Janes,
" Hophni King,
Sergt. Benj. Mayo,
Sergt. Simeon Lyman,
" Daniel Whitney,
Stephen Gould,
Edw. L. Tiffany,
John Whitney,
Alex^{r} Wheelock,
Aaron Robbins,
Arch. Burnet,

Benj. Quincy,
Eliphaz Wright,
Ebenezer Petty,
Jona. Moore,
Jonathan Gale,
John Mallard,
John Bucknam,
Jonathan Davis,
Jonas Leonard,
James Kelton,
James Fitch,
John Ramſdell,
Levi Field,
Moſes Smith,
Moſes Root,
Medad Alexander,
Nathan Wooley,
Nathan Holton,
Oliver Smith,
Seth Mun,
Simeon Stearns,
Samuel Todd,
Stephen Billings,
Solomon Holton,
Tim. Wheelock,
John Field,
Eben^r Atwood,
Abner Sherman,
Benj. Towel,
Charles Woods,
David Bucknam,
Oliver Wright,
Simeon Alexander,
Samuel How,
Thomas Kelton.

Muſter-Roll of Capt. Samuel Merriman's Company in Col. Phinehas Wright's Regiment, Expedition to Northern Department in Reſponſe to the Call of Gen. Gates, Sept. 22 — Oct. 18, 1777. (Northfield men.)

Capt. Samuel Merriman,
Lieut. Eldad Wright,
Sergt. Seth Lyman,
“ Oliver Watriſs,
“ George Field,
Corp Nath^l Billings,
“ James Lyman,
“ John Holton,
“ Eldad Alexander,
Elias Baſcom,
Alpheus Brooks,
Ebenezer Petty,
Thaddeus Brooks,
Simeon Alexander,
Jonathan Janes,
Elijah Taylor,
John Evens,
Nathan Fiſk,
Eliſha Holton,
Aſa Stratton,
Prince Tracey,[1]
Henry Allen,
Noah Morgan,
Elijah Stratton,
Eliphaz Wright.

This company took part in the battle of Oct. 7, and was present at the surrender of Burgoyne, Oct. 17.

Several of Burgoyne's men came to Northfield, and became permanent residents. Among them were John Woodard, Robert Timson and Dennis McCarty. William Dorrel (who eventually settled in Leyden, Mass., and became the founder of a fanatical sect known as Dorrelites) was taxed in Northfield 1784. John Wotton embarked with Burgoyne's army, but the ship was taken by one of our cruisers; and on landing he enlisted in the American army, and was at the surrender of his old commander. He settled in this town.

1778. Committee of safety: Dea. Samuel Smith, Dea. Samuel Root, Lieut. Simeon Alexander, Hezekiah Stratton, Zebediah Stebbins. The town chose Hezekiah Stratton, Ebenezer Severance and Lemuel Holton a committee “to enquire into the circumstances of families whose husbands are gone into the continental service, and provide them with meat and grain at the price such articles sold for when they severally enlisted in the service."

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[1] From Lebanon, Conn., a grantee of Hartford, Vt.

April, 1778. On the question of adopting the state constitution formed in February last, the town voted ayes 27, noes 16.

May 7. *Voted* to raise £120 lawful money as a bounty for 4 men to serve 8 months in the continental army.

At the same meeting Lieut. Ebenezer Janes was elected representative to the General Court to be holden at Boston, May 27th instant.

George Robbins, Solomon Alexander, Matthew Ransom, John Dennis and Ebenezer Petty enlisted in the army this year and were paid $100 each by the town.

1779. Committee of correspondence: Lucius Doolittle, Capt. Thomas Alexander and Hezekiah Stratton.

Capt. Thomas Alexander was chosen representative to the General Court, and also a delegate to the convention for forming a state constitution.

June 23, the town voted that a bounty of £120 be paid to each effective man that shall enlist into the continental service for the present war.

July 12, the town paid a bounty of £30 each to 2 men to serve in the army six months,..	£60
Paid rations and travel 100 miles,...........................	40
Oct. 19. Paid, as above, to 7 men ordered by the General Court,..	210
Paid rations, etc. 120 miles, ...	96

List of 9 months men for service at West Point: Eldad Wright, Jona. Belding, Darius Stebbins, Oliver Garey.

List of one month men enlisted in July for services at New London: Capt. Elihu Lyman, Moses Root, Joseph Smead, Joshua Lyman, Eliphalet Stratton, Sylvanus Watriss, Daniel Ransom, J. Church, Phinehas Field, Obadiah Janes, Levi Merriman, Alpheus Brooks.

List of men enlisted in October for service at Claverack, Oct. 15 to Nov. 21, in Col. Israel Chapin's regiment: Capt. Samuel Merriman, Eliphaz Alexander, Thomas Alexander, Francis Burk, Levi Field, Asa Field, Elijah Field, Jonas Holton, Ebenezer Petty, John Dickinson, Francis Akeley.

Sept. 6, the town chose Ebenezer Severance a delegate to meet in convention with other delegates from the several towns in the county of Hampshire, to be holden at Northampton on the second Wednesday of Sept. instant, to agree upon a uniformity of prices of the several articles in the county.

1780. Noxious Animals.— Beasts of prey had multiplied so rapidly, that at the session of the legislature in March, the following petition (signed by members) was presented: "The Petition of the subscribers shows: That the inhabitants of the western counties are greatly distressed by reason of the destruction of the sheep and neat cattle by wolves, catamounts and wild cats, which are numerous in some parts of said counties, and are grown very bold and ravenous. They therefore pray that a bounty may be offered for their destruction. Signed, Thomas Alexander, John Muzzey, Benj. Bonney, Noadiah Leonard, Moses Harvey, Jona. Nash, William Paige, Hugh McClellan.

The petitioners were allowed to bring in a bill.

At the annual town meeting, Seth Lyman, Ebenezer Severance and Eliphaz Wright were chosen committee of correspondence.

Voted, that the £120 granted by the General Court be paid to Jona. Belding, for his son's going into the continental service for 9 months.

Voted, that the £360 granted by the General Court be paid to the 3 men that listed for 9 months, to pay them in part for their services.

May 2. The new state constitution having been received, a town meeting was called, and Mr. Samuel Todd, Seth Field Esq., Col. Phinehas Wright, Dr. Samuel Mattoon, and Capt. Elisha Hunt were appointed a committee to receive and peruse the proposed constitution and form of government, and make such observations and objections to any article as they may think proper and report the same to the town. The committee reported at an adjourned meeting May 22. Their objections were as follows, viz. chap. II, sect. I. Relative to the Qualifications of civil officers: we are of opinion that all civil officers in the state should, previous to their entering upon the duties of their office declare themselves to be of the Christian Protestant Religion. *Reason first*, It appears to us that the safety of the state calls for the exclusion of all Roman Catholics from holding any civil office therein: *Second*, we are of opinion that the adjuration oath provided in the constitution is not sufficient to exclude all such. Further it is objected that whereas it is implied that there shall be but one Register of deeds in each County, we are of opinion that every corporate town have a right to and ought to have a Register of deeds. Hence to have but one Register in a County is greatly to the disadvantage of the public, and it increases the travel and cost of the subject; neither is it so safe: moreover we view it repugnant to the seventh article of the Bill of Rights which declares that government is instituted for the common good, and not for the profit, honor and private interest of any man or family, or class of men."

After hearing the paper read, the town voted on the different parts of the constitution, accepting some and rejecting others: the chapter on qualification of voters was accepted, 37 to 7; chapter 6, article 3, on the property Qualification was accepted, 43 to 1. The vote on accepting the proposed constitution as a whole stood 2 ayes, 42 noes.

June. The town voted to hire the 12 men required as the town's quota in the present expedition, and hire money to pay the same. Under this vote the following men enlisted to serve for 6 months at West Point, out July 4 to Dec. 17: Moses Robbins, Alpheus Brooks, Thaddeus Brooks, Daniel Warren, John Watriss, John Moffatt, Joseph Myrick, Seth Mun, Gideon Putnam, Alpheus Morgan, William Vorce (wagoner), Archibald Clandanel.

Under the call for 3 months men, the following drafted or enlisted men went from Northfield in Capt. Seth Pierce's Co. Col. S. Murray's regiment, and were in service at Claverack and West Point from July 4, to Oct. 12;

Lieut. James Lyman,		Seth Field,	aged 18,
Jonathan Belding,	aged 19,	Eliphaz Alexander,	“ 16,
Eldad Wright,	“ 18,	Barzillai Woods,	“ 26,
Tertius Lyman	“ 18,	Benj. Doolittle,	“ 16,
Joſhua Lyman,	“ 19,	James Scott,	
Eliphalet Stratton,	“ 20,	Moses Dickinſon.	
Phinehas Field,	“ 19,		

Phinehas Field was fifer to the company, and went as substitute for his brother who was drafted. The company was at West Point in September at the time of Arnold's treachery. On their return from the campaign, the men halted under the old Meeting Oak, when young Field struck up a joyous tune on his pewter fife. This was the first intimation the villagers had of their arrival; and his mother, who lived where F. Stockbridge now does, instantly recognized the familiar tone of the fife, and cried out "Phinny has got home safe!"

The town this year *voted*, That the price of labor on the highways be 36 dollars (continental currency) per day for man and the same for team of four cattle, from April 1, to Oct. 20; and 24 dollars per day from Oct. 20 to April 1. *Voted*, To pay Mr. Hubbard's salary at the exchange of 72 for 1.

Voted, That the rate called the soldier's rate be made and paid in grain, as follows: wheat at 5 shillings per bushel, rye at 3 shillings, and corn at 2*s*. 6*d*.

Sept. 4, 1780. At the election held this day, under the new state constitution, the votes cast were as follows: For governor, John Hancock, 27, James Bowdoin, 3: for lieut. governor, James Warren, 28, James Bowdoin, 1.

Lieut. Ebenezer Janes was chosen representative to the General Court.

Oct. 20. *Levy of Beef.* The town *voted*, that the assessors lay an assessment on the inhabitants of Northfield for 3650 lbs. of beef, in accordance with the order of the General Court, and in money adequate to the value of said beef. *Voted*, that in lieu of the beef (if not paid by each person that is assessed) they be assessed and pay at the rate of 120 continental dollars per hundred, or 3 pounds New Emission Bills per hundred, and in like proportion for a greater or less quantity. Capt. Elisha Hunt, Eben^r Field Jr., and Seth Lyman committee to purchase the beef.

Dec. 26. *Voted*, that the requisition for 10 men made by the General Court for the continental service, shall be hired by the town at large. *Voted*, that the committee be authorized to borrow 1000 Spanish dollars to pay for said men.

1781. Committee of correspondence, Seth Lyman, Oliver Smith, Elisha Alexander.

Voted, to assess a tax of £300 lawful money, to be paid one-half in silver and one-half in continental Bills at the current exchange, i. e. one Spanish dollar for 75 continental dollars.

July. *Voted*, to hire 8 men to join the continental army for 3 months, agreeably to the requisition of the General Court June 30, 1781. *Voted*, to borrow the money to pay the recruits. The bounty paid each man was £12. The list is as follows: Tertius Lyman, Donaldus Wright, Moses Robbins, Nathaniel Collar, Reuben Whitcomb, William Larkin, Abraham Parker, Jona. Parker.

The surrender of Cornwallis Oct. 19, virtually closed the war.

Richard Kingsbury, Alexander Best[1] and William Brown were hired by the town to serve in the continental army; but the date of their enlistment is not known.

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[1] Alexander Best received in settlement two notes, signed in behalf of the town by Elisha Hunt, James Lyman and Oliver Watriss.

CHAPTER XII.

Abridged Annals, 1780—1830.

The People impoverished — Equal Rights — Conventions — Valuation — School Districts — Cemeteries — Ferries — Sixth Division of Commons — Olive Moffatt — Distilleries — Rev. John Hubbard — Northfield Land set off to Gill — Rev. S. C. Allen — Post Office — Aqueduct — Sale of Highways — Oil-mill — Rev. Thomas Mason — Turnpike — Choristers — Slaves — Carriages — John Barrett — Solomon Vose — John Nevers — Organ — Methodist Church — Bridge — Artillery Co. — War of 1812 — Social Library — Broom Corn — Hops — High School — The Second Church — Unitarian Society — Baptist Church — Northfield Academy — Third Meeting-House — Parish Fund — List of Pastors — Physicians — Lawyers — Representatives — Senators — Town Officers — Miscellany — Soldiers in the War of 1861–5. Appendix.

The successful ending of the war brought with it perils which tried the patriotism, and courage and wisdom of our people, as sorely as the strife of arms. The responsibilities of freedom were new. The attempt to build up a commonwealth on the principle of *equal rights to all*, was attended with difficulties of the gravest and most complicated character. The maxim of war, that the most direct way to gain an end is the best way, is hazardous in times of peace, and especially hazardous at a time when all the elements of society are in a disturbed and feverish condition.

The war left every body in debt. States, towns and individuals had strained their credit to the utmost, and the resources of all were exhausted. Taxes were heavy and pressing. The soldiers held town notes, and the traders held the soldiers' notes, and all were clamorous for settlement. Silver money had nearly disappeared; and the circulating medium of continental bills had depreciated, so that in some cases the exchange was 240 for 1.

The two necessities which pressed heaviest were, the payment of debts; and the adoption of a financial system that should have an assured basis; and secure equality of values. Real estate was unsalable. Personal property could not be exchanged for money; and hence enforced settlements by law, to which many resorted, did not cancel obligations, and brought the courts into contempt. The "Tender act" of 1782, which made neat cattle and other articles a legal tender, rather increased the evil it was intended to cure. By its expost facto operation, and its suspension of existing lawsuits, it complicated all questions of debt and credit.

The slowness of the legislature to act, owing to differences of opinion in regard to the true remedy, and the partial failure of the first devised measures of relief, wrought a spirit of distrust against the government, and turned the minds of the people to undertake the correction of their own grievances. The singular spectacle presented itself in most of our towns, of the freemen standing aloof from the annual elections. With 120 legal voters, the number of votes cast for governor in Northfield in 1780, was 30; in 1782, 10; in '84, 20; in '85, 22. And it is believed that this town was not an exceptional case.

At the opening of the Revolution, the people had appointed central and local Committees of Safety and Correspondence. This was found to be a wise expedient, as a means of concentrating opinions and counsels, and a medium of efficient action. And conventions of these committees were a potent way of securing concert of plans. They became a power in civil and political affairs, whose authority in local matters was sometimes greater than that of the legislature, and whose action was recognized as binding by the courts.

The success of the earlier conventions of these committees of safety, indicated the most direct way of carrying out schemes for opposing, as well as supporting, the constituted authorities. Conventions "to consult upon the subject of grievances"—a word quick to catch the popular sympathy—began to be held in Hampshire county as early as 1781. They were made up of delegates chosen by the legal voters of the several towns; and thus had a semi-official character. For a time these delegates were men of the highest respectability and influence; and the meetings were moderate in their counsels while firm in the determination to secure what they held to be their just rights. But prudence and wisdom were not always in the ascendant. These delegate conventions degenerated; and irregular conventions were held, which became the instruments of faction and mob rule, and culminated in the Shays rebellion.

The extracts from the town records which follow, will show the part taken by Northfield in the various measures to adjust conflicting interests, and remedy evils; how the people went to work with a will, to promote education and material prosperity, and to guard dearly purchased civil and political rights.

1780. The action of the town in reviewing the proposed state constitution, and the almost unanimous vote against its adoption, were noticed in the last chapter. A like spirit of independence, and determination that the will of the people should be law, was evinced in the matter of choosing men to represent the town in the legislature and in conventions. In 1782 Aaron Whitney was elected representative to the General Court; and at the same meeting the town chose Seth Field Esq., Col. P. Wright, Hezekiah Stratton, Dr. Mattoon, Capt. E. Hunt, Dea. Root, Eben^{r} Severance, Lieut. Janes, Capt. Elihu Lyman and Lieut. James Lyman, a committee "to give instructions to their representative in those things which may be agitated and acted upon by the General Court." The same thing was repeated in succeeding years. In 1786, Capt. Elisha Hunt was appointed a delegate to a convention at Hatfield; and a committee of five was chosen to give instructions to said delegate. The town also took action in selecting candidates for the office of Justice of the Peace under the new constitution, as the following vote will show: *Voted*, to recommend Lieut. Ebenezer Janes to the governor as a meet person for Justice of the Peace, and chose Lemuel Holton, Oliver Smith and Capt. Seth Lyman a committee to petition the governor for the aforesaid purpose. Similar town action was subsequently taken in recommending Medad Alexander and Obadiah Dickinson for the same office.

The number of rateable polls at this date was 170; total valuation, £3980 19*s*. *Voted*, that property be assessed at the following rates for the current year:

Home-lots at		£180		Oxen at		£9	
Great meadow,	1ſt qual. pr. a.	9		Cows,		3	12
" "	2d " "	7		Three years old,		2	
" "	3d " "	4		Two years old,		1	10
Pauchaug,	1ſt " "	9		Yearlings,		1	
"	2d " "	7		Horſes,		5	
Pine meadow,	1ſt " "	3		Colts 3 years old,		5	
" "	2d " "	2		" 2 "		2	
Mooſe plain,	per acre	2		Sheep,		0	7
Log plain,	"	3		Swine,		1	
Pauchaug plain,	"	3		Wheat, per buſhel,		0	4
Cow plain,	"	1	10	Rye,	"	0	3
Second Diviſion lots,	"	0	10	Corn,	"	0	2
Third & Fourth do.	"	0	6	Flax, per pound,		8 pence.	
Good Paſture,	"	2					

1781. SCHOOLS.—Up to this date, there had been but one organized school district in town, and but one school house. After 1765 money was regularly appropriated for a school at the Farms; and after '75 the families living near Bennett's meadow had a small allowance for a school among themselves; but these schools were kept at private houses. Dec. 24, '81, the town voted to divide the village into 3 school districts, the upper district to extend from Mill brook north including the farmers; the middle district to extend from Mill brook to Shammah Pomeroy's; the lower district from Mr. Pomeroy's south. A new school house for the upper district was built in the highway, on the easterly side, just above the Capt. Colton place; the middle district retained the old house; the south district built a new house on the westerly side of the street in front of the Zechariah Field home-lot. At the same time a school district was organized at the Farms, and one on the west side of the river.

CEMETERIES.—Mar. 19, 1781, the town voted to lay out a burying-place on the west side of the river; committee on location, Ebenezer Severance, Eliphaz Wright, Lemuel Holton. It was laid out as follows; "to begin at a pair of bars that lead through Bennett's meadow ditch near the southeast corner of Hunt's Frizzel farm, thence southerly on the east side of said ditch about 14 rods to a gulf or steep valley; thence easterly by the said valley about 11 rods to the brow of the meadow hill; thence northerly about 13 rods to the meadow ditch; thence westerly about 9 rods to the bars first mentioned, and which contains by estimation about one acre.

The cemetery at the centre has a varied history, a part of which was given in preceding chapters. In 1769, it was cleared of brush and enclosed with Virginia fence, at a cost of £3 10*s.* 10*d.* In '84 the town voted to clear the burying-ground and build a post and board fence around it, with a gate sufficiently wide for the passing of sleighs. In '93, it was voted, "to let out the centre burying-ground to pasture sheep on."

May 11, 1811, the town bought one-fourth of an acre of land of Apollos Morgan, for a burial-place, near said Morgan's house at the Farms, for $18.50, with liberty of passing to said yard — he to build a good board fence around the lot.

In 1814, at the request of Asa Robbins and others, a piece of land was purchased and laid out for a cemetery at the southeast part of the town.

FERRIES.— March 1781, the town voted to approbate John Moffatt to keep the ferry from Northfield to Bernardston. This was the ferry between Bennett's meadow and Great meadow, which was established at a very early date, and where the town had maintained a canoe for personal conveyance, and a scow for the transport of teams and farm produce. The scow was moored at this crossing; and was taken to the ferries above for the space of 10 or 12 days twice a year to accomodate the proprietors of the Moose plains and the meadow owners above. In '63, the town voted "to build a house at Bennett's meadow ferry, 23 × 18 feet, and to build a boat, and to employ some person to keep the ferry." After 1781, this was known as Moffatt's ferry. In 1795, the town voted, that the treasurer be directed to execute to Edward L. Tiffany a lease of the ferry-place at Bennett's meadow, for the consideration of his ferrying the inhabitants of the town at 2*d.* per man and horse, and in that proportion for a footman and teams. In 1799, it was voted that the selectmen take charge of Tiffany's ferry, and a committee was appointed to lease it. The committee was instructed to try the town's title to said ferry; and at a later date reported; "1st, they think the privilege of said ferry to be a valuable property, and affords an annual income of about $300. 2d, this property is claimed by Capt. Elisha Hunt, and he is determined to hazard a legal process rather than relinquish his claim. 3d, the committee regard the privilege too valuable to be given up without a struggle; and 4th think it expedient to appoint one or more agents with full powers, to act for the town. And Timothy Dutton, Solomon Vose, Rufus Stratton and John Barrett were accordingly appointed." No further record of the case has been found.

The Moose plain ferry was established in 1686. In 1771 it was known as Prindle's ferry, from Nathan Prindle who was then employed to keep it, and who continued in charge for many years.

Little Meadow ferry, crossing at the upper end of Pauchaug, is named in 1753. Samuel Belding bought the Little meadow property about 1790, and the crossing-place was afterwards known as Belding's ferry. At that date there was an old house called the "ferry house" standing on the meadow, which would indicate a valuable franchise; but it was probably a private enterprise, and no mention is made of town action in maintaining it. *Munn's ferry*, between Northfield and Gill; and *Stacy's ferry*, near the mouth of Four mile brook; and Holton's *horse-boat ferry* near the old bridge, were started at a later date, and were individual enterprises.

THE SIXTH DIVISION OF COMMONS.— At a meeting of the proprietors of common and undivided lands in Northfield, Oct. 29, 1781, it was voted, that the committee be impowered to sell and convey these lands to those men that are now in occupancy of them, or to prosecute and dispossess them by due course of law.

These undivided lands consisted of numerous detached tracts scattered over the entire township, and of different values according to location. Some lots had been built upon by squatters, and some had been improved by adjacent owners. Sept. 30, 1782, the proprietors voted to apportion to the inhabitants all the common lands not embraced in former divisions. *Voted* to begin to number off the lots of the sixth division at the great river south of George Field's land, and to go easterly; then to begin on the east side of the county road above the Committee's Farms (so called) and to extend northerly up to Beers's plain: Then to begin on the west side of the county road near Elijah Stratton's and extend north up the deep gully on Second brook: Then south and east of Capt. Alexander's pasture: Then above Pauchaug meadow near the fishing place (so called): Then above Moose plain: Then at the county road west of Lemuel Holton's: Then at Grass hill. The list of grantees is substantially the same as the proprietors of the Fourth Division, on page 282.

Capt. Elisha Hunt was sent as a delegate to a convention held at Hatfield on Wednesday Aug. 7, 1781.

1783. Lieut. James Lyman was chosen delegate to a convention to be holden at Hadley, March 25th instant.

OLIVE MOFFATT.—The sudden change of the fashion in materials for dress goods, which came with the opening of the Revolutionary war, made famous this maiden of humble birth. She was of Scotch descent; and the Scotch emigrants that settled at Londonderry, N. H., and Killingly, Ct., were long noted for their skill as weavers. Born in 1757, Olive was in '73, when the people made up their minds to take care of themselves, just at the age to be stimulated by the special favor shown to accomplished spinners and weavers. She was employed by most of the well-to-do families in town; and in 1780, and for many years thereafter her loom was considered indispensable in all fashionable wedding outfits. Her linsey-woolsey cloth was inimitable for evenness of texture; and she had a pattern of linen damask which no one else in town could weave, and which, of course, all brides coveted. Some of the table linen of her handy work has been preserved in the Elihu Stratton and other families till a recent period, and perhaps may still be found. And what was of special consequence at the earlier date, she understood perfectly how to color the fine lamb's wool yarns with madder. All the housewives knew how to use logwood and indigo; but it required peculiar tact to get the right shade of red. Olive would never spin over two skeins of fine linen thread, even in the longest day, and would charge 6*d.* and 7*d.* per skein. Of fine woolen she would spin four skeins, and charge 3*d.* per skein or 8*d.* per "run."[1] When she felt just like it, she could weave 3½ yards of yard wide cloth; but commonly 3 yards was a day's work.

The selectmen were instructed "to hire a school-master that will answer the law;" and Joseph Cummings was employed to teach in the middle district through the fall and early part of the winter.

1784. Number of rateable polls, 145; dwelling houses, 71; barns, 71; shops and stores, 9; saw and grist-mills, 5; barrels of cider made, 502; stock in trade, £460; horses, 143; Oxen, 156; cows, 225; sheep, 372; swine, 275.

It was voted that it is the opinion of this town that there should be a division of the county of Hampshire into two parts; and Lieut. James Lyman was sent as delegate to a convention at Deerfield to act on this subject.

1786. May 4, the town chose Capt. E. Hunt and Lieut. E. Janes delegates to a convention to be holden at Col. Seth Murray's in Hatfield on the 2d Wednesday of May instant.

Aug. 14, Capt. E. Hunt was sent as delegate to a convention at Hatfield to be holden the 22d inst.

1788. Lieut. Ebenezer Janes was elected delegate to the state convention for ratifying the federal constitution.

Prices. Fulled cloth, per yard, 6*s.*; tow cloth, 2*s.*; men's thick shoes, 7*s.* 6*d.*; carpenter's wages, 4*s.* 6*d.*; board 5*s.* per week; shingles 10*s.* per M.

1791. DISTILLERY.—Samuel Brewer from Boston set up a small distillery in the back part of his store this year. And thus was introduced a branch of business which assumed large proportions a few years later. Before 1811, William Pomeroy built a large distillery for making whisky from rye and corn, on the north side of the turnpike, at the corner of the second section of the Great swamp lots: Ebenezer Warner put up similar works on the south side of the turnpike; and Elihu Phelps and Rufus Stratton set up a distillery on the river bank at the west end of the Aaron Burt home-lot. These were all closed soon after 1830. Barzillai Wheeler had a distillery for making cider brandy in 1814.

1794. The town voted that the school money be divided to the several districts according to the number of scholars in each district.

November 28. Rev. Mr. Hubbard died.

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[1] A "run" of yarn consisted of twenty knots, a knot was composed of forty threads, and a thread was seventy-four inches in length, or once round the reel. A skein of yarn consisted of seven knots.

The ministry of the second pastor of the church, Rev. John Hubbard, was not marked by any thing of special personal interest, except, in a single instance at the breaking out of the war of the Revolution. He appears to have given his life and his love to the people of his pastoral charge; and was singularly happy in their reciprocal affection and confidence.

The records furnish no evidence that his original salary of £66 13*s*. 4*d*., was either cut down or increased. His settlement of £133 6*s*. 8*d*, was paid promptly; and it seems to have been taken for granted that this money, and the home-lot and outlands given him, placed him in independent circumstances. Hence his salary, though paid, was never paid punctually. For the first ten years it was paid in about two years after it fell due; from '60 to '70 it was paid at the end of 12 months after the proper time. In 1775 it was badly in arrears; but by a special effort that year it was brought up to within one year's payment. In 1790 it had fallen 5 years behind. But to the honor of the town be it said, when the currency depreciated, the loss was made up by an addition of the required per centum. In 1780 he was paid by an allowance of 72 for 1.

The pastor's annual supply of wood was an important item of town concern. The matter was sometimes put in charge of the selectmen, sometimes given to a special committee; and they were instructed to inspect the loads to see if they held out in quantity and were of the standard quality.

The unhappy controversy, which was the only break in the harmony of Mr. Hubbard's pastorate grew up in this wise. In the public prayers on the Sabbath, like all other ministers, Mr. Hubbard had always offered a petition for God's blessing on his majesty the King of Great Britain. After the battle of Lexington, when men's minds were intensely agitated, and their indignation aroused against the royal cause, he continued to repeat the accustomed petition.

The committee of safety, Dea. Samuel Smith, Ens. Wright, Dea. Root, Ens. Alexander and Seth Field, who were the only acknowledged source of political power in the town, as the committee at Boston was the head of power in the Province, held a consultation, and determined (Esq. Field only dissenting) to rule out the obnoxious petition, and to do it in a summary way. And on the next Sabbath, after the congregation was assembled and when the service was about to commence, Dea. Smith arose and forbid the pastor offering prayer, informing him that he would be allowed only to read the psalms and preach the sermon. Mr. Hubbard regarded this as an assault upon his rights as pastor of the church, and declined to submit to dictation.

The committee had taken a public stand, and to recede would subject them to ridicule. They were supported by the military leaders and young men generally, who constituted a majority of the legal voters. Mr. Hubbard had the countenance and support of Esq. Field, Dr. Mattoon, Ebenezer Stratton, Alexander Norton, Aaron Whitney, Shammah Pomeroy, and the majority of the church. The war of words, and looks, and actions raged fiercely for a couple of years, when Deacons Smith and Root and their friends withdrew from the communion of the church, and absented themselves from meeting on the Sabbath.

In '78 Mr. Hubbard proposed to the town that if they would pay him up in full his salary now due, he would submit the question of dismission to a large mutual council. As this would necessarily involve an inquiry into the conduct of the Deacons and others in absenting themselves from the ordinances, the proposition was declined.

July 7, 1779, the town proposed to Mr. Hubbard, that if he on his part would ask a dismission and obtain it by a small council called for that purpose, then the town on their part (the church agreeing thereto) will, 1, make good his salary agreeable to Mr. Hubbard's own proposals: 2, the town will give him the privilege of his pew in the meeting-house, during his stay with us: 3, the town will not impose any office on Mr. H. that shall be disagreeable to his inclinations, but will endeavor that he shall be honored for the good that he hath heretofore done in the town: 4, the town will not rate his poll in the town or state tax during his stay amongst us — he also continuing a peaceable member of society: Or, 5, If Mr. Hubbard chooses to submit the whole of the matter of our uneasiness and want of reconciliation to a council of nine churches, viz. the churches in Brattleboro,' first in Suffield, Southampton, West Springfield, Belcher, Granby, Barre, first in Brookfield, Athol (the church agreeing thereto), the town consents and is contented, on condition that if a reconciliation cannot be effected then the council shall be authorized to dismiss Mr. H. from his pastoral charge.

This alternative proposition for a mutual council, though so carefully guarded by its condition, and the known sympathies of the churches named, was accepted by Mr. Hubbard and his friends — they only requiring that the churches at Southampton and West Springfield be omitted and two others substituted.

The council convened Nov. 17, and was in session four days. Without waiting for its decision — evidently following somebody's wise suggestion — the town's committee drew up the following paper, for " an accommodation between y^e pastor of y^e church in Northfield and his adhering brethren, and y^e people who are dissatisfied with his conduct."

"It having pleaſed the wiſe and holy God to ſuffer great difficulties and diviſions to ariſe between the Paſtor and the majority of y^e people of this town which have ariſen on account of differences in principle and conduct with reference to y^e controverſy ſubſiſting between Great Britain and theſe United States:—Sincerely deſirous to heal theſe unhappy diviſions, we propoſe that our Rev. Paſtor ſhould, on his part, acknowledge that his want of union with the body of the people in theſe ſtates in political ſentiment and conduct has been the occaſion of y^e uneaſineſs ſubſiſting among us; that in his public adminiſtrations and private deportment he has done and ſaid that which afforded great diſquietude in the minds of his people, and paſſed over ſeveral things which would have been a great relief and comfort to their minds, under the grievous afflictions and public troubles of our land; that the Paſtor expreſs his ſenſe of the grief which this would raiſe in the minds of his flock, and his determination to give them every relief in his power:—For this end that he give aſſurances that he will conduct as a quiet and peaceable ſubject of theſe United States; that he will endeavor according to the duty of his office to ſubmit himſelf and yield obedience to y^e authority and government of theſe independent ſtates; that he will uſe his endeavors that the preſent conſtitution, laws and liberties of his country be ſecured and perpetuated; that he publicly pray for the proſperity of the American arms againſt our Britiſh enemies and all others in their attempts to overthrow our independence; that he receive in love and embrace with affection thoſe who have been in oppoſition to him during theſe our unhappy controverſies; that he treat them with that kind intercourſe and familiarity which they experienced in former years; that he forgive every matter of real or ſuppoſed offence in the conduct and converſation of any of his people; that he inculcate this ſame ſyſtem of friendly conduct upon thoſe termed his adhering brethren, and perſuade them to a ready compliance with theſe propoſals, wherein they can be applied to them reſpectively.—Upon which compliance of theirs, we engage cordially to embrace theſe adhering brethren as fellow members of Chriſt's viſible body, and deſire to excuſe every exceptionable part of their conduct towards us, and that every part of our conduct towards them that has been exceptionable may be buried in oblivion; that the Paſtor caſt no grievous imputation upon any part of his flock, exerciſing meekneſs and gentleneſs towards them all. On our part, we acknowledge that many things grievous to our paſtor may have taken place among thoſe of our number; and eſpecially that, although at the time we acted in the integrity of our hearts, yet we might heretofore have purſued different meaſures for obtaining reconciliation; and inſtead of withdrawing commmunion in the manner we did, might have purſued the more orderly and ſcriptural way of procedure by the counſel and advice of ſiſter churches; which neglect we pretend not to juſtify.

Upon theſe conditions, we feel ourſelves heartily willing to receive and acknowledge y^e Rev. Mr. Hubbard as our ſincerely reſpected and dearly beloved

Paſtor ; and will endeavor to walk with him as chriſtians, and will ſubmit ourſelves to his goſpel adminiſtrations, and demean ourſelves towards him with all that love and eſteem which is due to y^{e} faithful miniſters of our Lord's Kingdom.— Remembering with pleaſure our former affection, the comfort and inſtruction heretofore received from his pious labors, we are ſincerely anxious once more cordially to unite with him in the ſacred bonds of the Goſpel of Peace.

Signed Samuel Smith,
Phinehas Wright,
Thomas Alexander,
Ebenezer Janes,
Samuel Root,
} *Committee.*

Northfield Nov. 20, 1779.

We accede to the foregoing propoſals,

John Hubbard, *Paſtor.*
Seth Field,
Ebenezer Stratton,
Alexander Norton,
Samuel Mattoon,
Aaron Whitney,"
} *Committee.*

Mr. Hubbard was a graduate of Yale College, 1747 ; was ordained May 30, 1750, and was consequently in the ministry here $44\frac{1}{2}$ years. About 200 were received to church membership on profession, and 50 by letter, during his pastorate. Rev. Dr. Lyman, in his funeral sermon says:

> " He lived in the conſciences and affections of his people, and preached to them the goſpel of the grace of God with much acceptance. He in general poſſeſſed their cordial love and eſteem. A momentary eſtrangement between him and this people took place in the time of our public trials. But that eſtrangement was not natural ; it could not laſt ; upon the mediation of their common friends it ſoon vaniſhed. He and they returned to the love of their eſpouſals. For many ſucceſſive years he has ſerved this people with increaſing affection on their part, and growing comfort on his. I need not tell you how firmly he was in ſentiment attached to the doctrines of grace, thoſe peculiar and leading doctrines of the goſpel. As he ſincerely believed them, ſo, with ſtrict uniformity, with pious contention and pathetic zeal, he preached them to his people. He loved his people ; he loved his work ; he loved his Maſter. By the uncorruptneſs and purity of his life, he exemplified the doctrines which he taught. He labored after that miniſterial greatneſs and dignity which conſiſt in ſound doctrine and holy living ; a greatneſs which is not buried in the grave, but goes along with us into heaven."

1795. Rev. Samuel C. Allen.—Friday Oct. 9, 1795, the town at a legal meeting chose Capt. Elisha Hunt moderator. *Voted*, to settle the worthy Mr. Samuel Clesson Allen in the gospel ministry over us, on condition that when two-thirds of the people are desirous of his being dismissed, three months' notice shall be given him, and he be dismissed by an ecclesiastical council. And that Mr. Allen have the same liberty of leaving, by giving a three months' notice. *Voted*, to give Mr. Allen £120 lawful money (afterwards declared to mean $400 in the currency of the United States) annually during his continuance in the ministry amongst us. Col. James Lyman, Solomon Vose Esq. and Mr. Oliver Watriss were appointed a committee to present these votes to Mr. Allen.

In his answer of acceptance, dated Oct. 23, Mr. Allen states that he shall claim 6 Sabbaths the first year, and 4 Sabbaths in each succeeding year, for journeying and the like, if he find it necessary.

The ordination took place Nov. 25; Rev. Allen Pratt of Westmoreland, N. H., preaching the sermon. The council, professional gentlemen, and members of college present were invited to dine at the house of Capt. Elisha Hunt; and the singers to dine at the house of Mr. Shammah Pomeroy.

During his ministry of two years, Mr. Allen was regarded as Calvinistic in his views of doctrine. He had in a large degree the confidence of his church and people, and was acceptable as a preacher. After his dismission, Jan. 30, 1798, he studied law with John Barrett Esq., and became a successful practitioner. He was a member of the state senate, 1812 to 1815, and again in 1831; was a member of congress 1817–'29; councillor 1829, '30 (see Genealogy).

Part of Northfield set off to Gill. In 1793, Ebenezer Field Jr., Josiah Parmenter, Benj. Carter, Jona. Childs, Sereno Field, Rodolphus W. Field, Nathan Holton, Elisha Mun, and Abner Severance petitioned the General Court to be set off from Northfield and annexed to Gill. The next year the town of Northfield voted to grant leave for the transfer; and Feb. 28, 1795, an act was passed in accordance with the prayer of the petitioners. The bounds were as follows: beginning at the northeast corner of Gill, running northerly on the west bank of the river 134 rods to the mouth of Bennett's brook, thence W 13° N 30 rods, thence W 9° S 12 rods, thence N 15° W 40 rods, thence N 22° W 63 rods, thence N 26° W 57 rods, thence W 44° N 37 rods, thence W 10° 30′ S 43 rods, thence S 14° W 36 rods, thence S 34° W 61 rods, thence W 27° N 50 rods, thence N 2° E 124 rods to the county road leading to Bernardston, and on the middle of said highway to the line between Northfield and Bernardston, thence S 11° E 333 rods to the line of Gill, thence E 5° N 278 rods to the point first mentioned.

1796. Harmony Lodge of free and accepted Masons was established this year.

1797. NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT.— The town *voted* that the inhabitants included between Beers's mountain west, Roman T north, and the Great swamp east, be set off into a school district.

POST OFFICE.— A post-office was established in Northfield this year, and Solomon Vose appointed post-master. The mail was brought by stage from Worcester once and afterwards twice a week, containing usually not more than half a dozen letters, and 3 or 4 Boston newspapers. Mr. Vose resigned in 1808. His successors have been John Nevers, Samuel C. Allen, William Pomeroy, Daniel Callender, Charles Osgood, William Hastings, George Hastings, Lewis T. Webster.

AQUEDUCT.— Mar. 9, 1797. An act to incorporate Solomon Vose and others Proprietors of an Aqueduct in Northfield.

Section 1. Be it enacted, etc., that Solomon Vose, Medad Pomeroy, Caleb Lyman, Edward Houghton, Eleazar Stratton, Elijah Mattoon, Eliphaz Wright, Josiah White, and Samuel Field, all of Northfield, are constituted a corporation by the name of *The Proprietors of the Aqueduct in Northfield*, for the purpose of conveying water by subterranean pipes in the town of Northfield.

Other sections contain the usual provisions for calling meetings, defining rights and liabilities, etc.

SALE OF SUPERFLUOUS HIGHWAYS.— At a town meeting April 3, 1797, it was *voted* "to sell the lands in the highways where they are unnecessarily wide." Under this vote, 6 rods in width of the south side of the North Lane to the meadow, was sold May 15; Capt. Elisha Hunt purchasing the whole.

In the north road to Warwick, the whole width, i. e. 10 rods, was retained for the distance of ten rods from the town street, for a school-house or other town use; then for a short distance 4 rods in width, and beyond this 6 rods in width of the south side was sold to Capt. Hunt.

Six rods in width on the north side of the south road to Warwick was divided into five lots, making them 6×12 rods each, and sold in succession, beginning at the town street, to Obadiah Dickinson, Solomon Wells, Selah Norton, James Merriam and Phinehas Field.

Oil Mill.— Near this date Zechariah Field (son of Paul) built a mill for expressing castor and linseed oils, on Miller's brook. He planted large fields of castor beans, as also did Isaac Mattoon and others; and the business was of considerable account for a number of years. The raising of flax as a common farm crop, at this date, furnished the staple for the linseed oil.

1798. A New Bell.— Mar. 5, the town voted, "to purchase a meeting-house bell of between 6 and 700 pounds weight, and to improve the old bell in part payment for the new." £100 was raised to pay the balance.

Voted, that liberty be granted to Asahel Stebbins's land joining the town of Northfield commonly called the Clesson Farm, containing 100 acres, to be annexed to the town of Northfield.

Voted, that the land commonly called the Rose Farm may be annexed to the town of Northfield. No further action is recorded in relation to this matter; but it is known that the owner of the Rose Farm declined the offer.

1799. Rev. Thomas Mason.— The town voted to give Mr. Thomas Mason a call to settle with us in the gospel ministry. Voted to give Mr. Mason an annual salary of $400. Voted to give him a settlement of 250 pounds, to be paid one-half in one year from the date of his ordination, and one-half at the end of 18 months with interest. The settlement was granted on the condition that Mr. Mason continue in the ministry in Northfield for the full term of 20 years; and if he leave before the expiration of that period — the fault being his own in the opinion of a mutual council — he shall pay back to the town such proportion of the 250 pounds as the time falls short of 20 years.

The terms were accepted by Mr. Mason, with the reservation of 4 Sabbaths annually for travel. John Barrett Esq., Elijah Stratton and Solomon Vose Esq. were appointed a committee to unite with the church committee in calling a council and making the necessary arrangements for the ordination. *Voted*, that the above committee have discretionary power "to make such provisions and arrangements as they shall think necessary for the honor and respectability of the said day."

The ordination took place November 6. The following brief sketch is furnished by a friend of Mr. M.:

Thomas Mason was the son of Thomas and Mary (Baxter) Mason; born at Princeton Mass., May 28, 1769; graduated H. C., 1796; studied divinity with

Rev. Thomas Prentiss, D.D. of Medfield, Mass. Being possessed of great physical strength and accustomed to use it, he was during the whole of his college life the successful champion in the then customary college exercise of wrestling. At the date of his settlement, his parish embraced the whole town. In the religious controversy which arose in New England during his ministry, he was an early and positive advocate of liberal views and ranged himself with the Unitarians when that sect organized as an independent denomination. Mr. Mason was a man large in stature and of a dignified and commanding presence. He possessed great native vigor both of body and mind. His writings and his conversation displayed originality of thought, a ready wit, and abounded in expressions of marked significance and force."

RESIDENCE OF REV. THOMAS MASON.

In 1820, Mr. Mason was sent as delegate to the convention for revising the state constitution; was several times a member of the legislature. He was dismissed Feb. 28, 1830.

After the settlement of Mr. Mason, and probably at his suggestion, the town voted "to purchase a Bible for the meeting-house desk." Till this date reading the scriptures was not a part of Sabbath public worship — though many pastors had adopted the practice a few years earlier.

TURNPIKE.— An act for establishing the Fifth Massachusetts Turnpike: *Whereas* the highway leading from Northfield in the county of Hampshire through Warwick and Orange to Athol, and from Greenfield through Montague and up Miller's river to Athol aforesaid, thence through Gerry, Templeton, Gardner, Westminster, and Fitchburg to Leominster is rocky and mountainous; and the expense of straightening, making and repairing the same through the said towns so that the same may be conveniently travelled with horses and carriages, is much greater than reasonably ought to be required of said towns:—

Be it enacted, That Timothy Dutton, Eliſha Hunt, John Barrett, Edward Houghton, Solomon Voſe, Caleb Mayo, Oliver Chapin, Joſiah Proctor, Oliver Eſtey, Samuel Sweetſer, Hiram Newell, Eben^{r} Jones, Jonas Kendall, Philip Sweetſer, Eliſha Ball, Caleb Alvord, Jona. Leavitt, Richard E. Newcomb, Solomon Smead, Jerome Ripley, Ezekiel Baſcom, Daniel Wells, Calvin Munn, Thomas W. Dickinſon, their aſſociates and ſucceſſors be and hereby are conſtituted a corporation by the name of the Fifth Maſs. Turnpike Corporation, for the purpoſe of laying out and making a Turnpike road from Capt. Eliſha Hunt's in Northfield aforeſaid, through Warwick, Orange, Athol, Gerry, Templeton and Gardner to Weſtminiſter meeting-houſe, thence to Jonas Kendall's tavern in Leominſter, and alſo from Calvin Munn's tavern in Greenfield thro' Montague and up Miller's river thro' unimproved lands ſo as to interſect the road aforeſaid at Athol: Said road to be four rods wide, and the travelled path to be 18 feet wide: to be authorized to erect 5 turnpike gates for collecting the toll, one near where David Mayo keeps a tavern in Warwick, one near the houſe where Samuel Sweetſer keeps a tavern in Athol, one near the line between Gardner and Weſtminſter, one near the tavern of Jonas Kendall in Leominſter, and one between Greenfield and Athol.

Rate of Tolls: For every coach, phæton, chariot or other four-wheeled carriage drawn by 2 horſes, 25 cents; and an additional ſum of 4 cts. for each additional horſe; for every cart or wagon drawn by 2 oxen or horſes, 12½ cts. and 3 cts. additional for every additional ox or horſe; for every curricle, 16 cents; for every chaiſe, chair or other carriage drawn by one horſe 12½ cts.; for every man and horſe, 5 cents; for every ſled or ſleigh drawn by 2 oxen or horſes, 9 cts.; drawn by 1 horſe, 8 cts.; for all horſes, oxen or neat cattle led or driven, 1 cent each; for ſheep or ſwine, 3 cents for one dozen. Exempts from toll, all perſons paſſing to and from public worſhip, or to and from his labor on his farm, or to and from any griſt mill, or the common buſineſs of family concerns or on military duty.

The first meeting was to be held at the house of Oliver Chapin innholder in Orange.

The remaining sections relate to the right to purchase and hold land, and confer the usual powers and specify the usual liabilities.

The starting point in Northfield was changed from Capt. Hunt's corner to Houghton's corner.

Before the Turnpike was started, the stage route from Boston to Northfield, was *via* Shrewsbury, Worcester, Holden, Barre, Petersham, Athol, Orange and Warwick. A stage was put upon this route as early as 1789. In 1790, the route was extended to Bennington, Vt., *via* Brattleboro, Marlboro, etc.

1800. The opening of the new century found Northfield wholly recovered from the wastes of war; with her agriculture in a state of high prosperity, and most of the useful trades and arts well established.

The products of the soil and of the mills and shops were more than sufficient to meet the home demand, and the surplus was sent to Boston or taken down the river. In public spirit, and amount of business transacted, and in the influence of her leading men, and especially as a focus of legal talent in the persons and offices of John Barrett and Solomon Vose Esqs. (to whom was soon to be added John Nevers), this town fairly divided the honors, if it did not head the list of the towns in northern Hampshire (now Franklin) county.

In addition to the families whose names have been familiar in these annals from the earliest times, others, such as Dutton, Barber, Houghton, Moody, Ezekiel Webster, Caleb Lyman, Obadiah Dickinson, Barnabas Billings, and Benjamin Callender had become inhabitants, and added to the moral power as well as the wealth of the place. Some stirring men had died or removed from town, such as Aaron Whitney the miller and trader, Elias Bascom who had a fulling-mill and saw-mill, Nathan Fisk the tailor, and —— Miner who had a pottery for the manufacture of brown earthern ware on the river bank at the upper end of Pauchaug. But there was scarcely any art or handicraft promotive of convenience and comfort, which had not its representative in Northfield at this date.

Not to repeat the names of the well known blacksmiths and mill owners — there were John Wotton the nail-maker, Elihu Phelps the cooper, Isaiah Moody the mason, James Merriam and Ebenezer Bancroft cabinet-makers, Asahel Cheney clock-maker, Ebenezer White jeweller, William Belcher tailor, Caleb Lyman and son hatters, Jabez Parsons, Jabez Whiting and Gad Corse tanners and shoemakers, Simeon Boyden and Theodore Holton clothiers, Ezekiel Webster forge works, Shammah Pomeroy saddler, Zechariah Field's oil mill, Barber's, Callender's and Billings's stores, Doolittle's, Hunt's, Dutton's, Houghton's, Field's and Stratton's taverns.

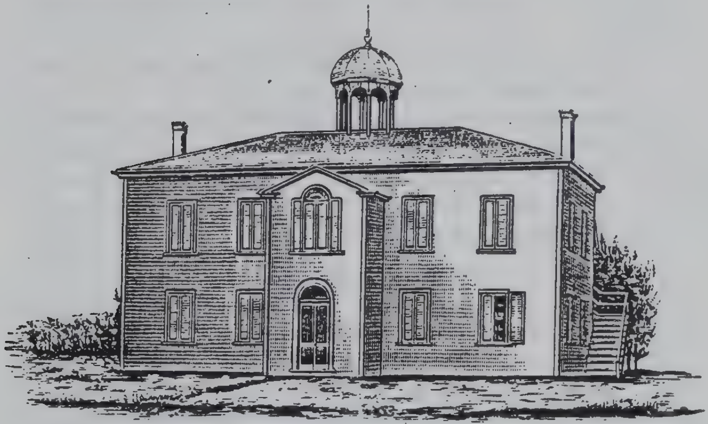
Besides Dr. Medad Pomeroy, and Rev. Mr. Mason, and the two lawyers Barrett and Vose, some of the men now in civil and mercantile life had received a collegiate education; and this fact, while it enhanced their consideration, gave them greater means of influence. Obadiah Dickinson was a graduate of Yale: S. C. Allen was a graduate of Dartmouth; Barnabas Billings was a graduate of Brown University.

The ancient mode of travel on horseback was beginning to give place to wheeled vehicles; though at this date, what are now known as light pleasure wagons were unheard of. Several Northfield men owned chaises and chariots. As early as 1763, Lieut. Jonathan

Belding owned a two-wheeled chair.[1] In '77 two other chairs or chaises were taxed in town, but by whom they were owned is not known.

In 1800, Caleb Lyman, Obadiah Dickinson, and Edw. Houghton had chaises. Capt. Samuel Smith who lived over the line in Winchester but attended meeting in Northfield, had a heavy two horse carriage; and Hezekiah Stratton at the Farms had a two-horse hack.

The three school districts in the centre of the town were this year united into one, and all the scholars gathered in the new school house by Capt. Hunt's corner.



SCHOOL HOUSE

Erected 1800; as it appeared in vacation, 1874

Number of taxable polls, 236; total number of inhabitants, 1047.

Record of Annual Town Meeting Mar. 3, 1800. Col. James Lyman moderator; Ebenezer Janes town clerk; Barnabas Billings town treasurer; Jabez Whiting constable and collector; Col. James Lyman, Capt. Medad Alexander, Walter Field selectmen and assessors; Lewis Page, Lieut. Abner Sawyer, Simeon Alexander Jr., Levi Merriman, Abner Field, Capt. Elisha Hunt, Lieut. Jona. Janes, Nathan Prindle, Aaron Dike surveyors of highways; Timothy Lyman, Swan Lyman, Zadock Lincoln, Benj. Callender, Calvin Priest, Barnabas Billings, Calvin Stratton hogreeves; Lieut. John Holton, Abner Field fence viewers; Ezekiel Webster sealer of weights and measures; Philip Mattoon sealer of leather; Barnabas Billings sealer of lumber; Capt. Reuben Smith, Rufus Stratton, Jona. Janes,

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[1] In 1753, there were in all Hampshire county only two private carriages, and these were two-wheeled chairs, one owned by Moses Porter of Hadley, the other by Israel Williams of Hatfield.

Thomas Alexander Jr. tythingmen. Chose Rev. Mr. Allen, John Barrett Esq., Dea. Dutton, Oba. Dickinson, Elisha Alexander, Rufus Stratton, Reuben Smith a committee to inspect the schools in the town of Northfield.

Appropriations: $400 for Mr. Mason's salary; $300 for support of schools; $300 for support of the poor; $400 for making and repairing highways; $50 for the support of singing.

Choristers. The town voted to concur with the singers in the choice of choristers, viz. Xenophon Janes, Phinehas Field, Elihu Phelps and Josiah Fisher.

The votes for governor this year were, Caleb Strong 66, Elbridge Gerry 11, Moses Gill 2.

Pall. Voted to procure a suitable pall to be used in burying the dead.

1801. A school district was set off on the west side of the river, beginning on the river bank at the south line of Lucius Doolittle's south lot in the Fourth Division, and running west to Bernardston line, and including all the inhabitants living north of said line.

THE ORGAN.

"Winchester, Sept. 4, 1801.

To the selectmen of Northfield.

Gentlemen:

I have procured a new and complete church organ, which I have intended for the use of the church and congregation in your town. And now beg leave, through you, to make this communication to the inhabitants of Northfield. They will do me a great honor in the acceptance of it; while I shall be highly gratified in the opportunity of thus expressing my respect and attachment for my native town.

I am, gentlemen, with great respect

Yr humble servt

SAMUEL SMITH."

At a meeting called for the purpose, the town voted to accept with gratitude the gift of Mr. Smith.

Xenophon Janes was appointed organist, and was paid $15 a year for his services. Mr. Janes had been a member of the choir since 1787, and continued to be organist and leader till old age. He was fifer to a company in the Shays rebellion; and played with equal skill the spinet, bass-viol and organ.

1802. A school district, called Capt. Merriman's district, was set off — the south line running from the mouth of Pine meadow brook easterly to the south-east District, and so around Elijah and Philip Mattoon's land, including Reuben Smith's land in the Second Division, the widow Sibyl Field's land in the First Division, and Walter Field's land on Cow Plain.

1807. Elijah Stratton was allowed to fence across Pine meadow road, on condition that he make and keep in good repair a gate.

1809. NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT.— Seth Lyman Jr., Ora Holton, Apollos Beach, John Ball, Chauncey Beach, Adrastus Doolittle, Henry Strobridge, Joseph Beach, Barzillai Woods, Elisha Lyman, Isaac Gregory, William Childs, Salma Alger were set off from the middle or street district and formed into a school district by themselves.

1810. *A Methodist church* was organized in Northfield this year, and was regularly supplied with preachers till 1844, when it seceded from the Conference. Its leading ministers have been, Rev's. Humphrey Harris, Salmon Hull, Elias P. Stevens, Otis Wilder, Zadock King, George Green, Hezekiah B. Collar, Simon E. Fisk and Leonard Frost. Several preachers of note in the denomination have originated in Northfield, as Rev's. J. D. Bridge, H. M. Bridge, P. W. Bridge, H. B. Collar and Elijah H. Field.

BRIDGE — The town *voted*, To raise $1000 (or twenty shares) to be laid out in building a bridge over Connecticut river in Northfield. Chose Medad Alexander, Henry Field and Samuel Field a committee to subscribe for the 20 shares in behalf of the town, and to superintend the expenditure of the money granted. The bridge was built and held by a corporation ; but after standing a few years, was swept away by a spring freshet. Elias Holton put in a horse-boat ferry, near where the bridge stood, which continued in use till the present Rail-road and town bridge was erected.

1811. *The Northfield Artillery Company* was organized this year, and was attached to the First Brigade, Fifteenth Division, Mass. Militia. Capt. Josiah D. Lyman was chosen captain. The town voted to give a piece of land to the commonwealth, upon which to set a *Gun-house*. This was built in the North road to Warwick, on the first rise of land east of the school-house. The records of this company were returned to the Adjutant-General's office, when the company was disbanded, and are not accessible. Among the commanders were, Capt. Elijah Mattoon, Capt. King Harris, Capt. Richard Colton, Capt. Ira Coy, Capt. —— Stratton.

HEARSE.— The town voted to raise $50 to purchase a hearse for use in carrying the dead to the grave.

1812. *New School District.* Oliver Wright, Isaac Reed, John Wotton, James Holden Jr., John Holden, Wm. Lewis, William Wright, Thomas Wotton, Sardis Brigham, Adam Jesup, John

Woodard, William Field Jr., Uriah Collar, Nathaniel Stratton and James Reed were set off into a school district by themselves.

The proprietors of Pauchaug meadow were allowed the privilege of erecting and maintaining *a gate* at the entrance of said meadow.

At the opening of the war of 1812, Northfield was the head-quarters of the Fifteenth Division of the Mass. Militia, under command of Major General John Nevers, Barzillai Wheeler aid-de-camp. Gen. Nevers came to this town as early as 1805, studied law with John Barrett Esq., and opened an office in 1806 or 7.. By a rapid rise in his profession and in official favor, he received the appointment of sheriff of Franklin county Oct. 22, 1811, and county attorney Nov. 22 of the same year. He was commissioned Major General in Jan. 1812. For the next 35 years he wielded great influence in the county holding the office of sheriff from 1831 to 1847.

Between 1800 and 1815, some new branches of business were started in this town. Several old firms had disappeared, and some young enterprises had made a vigorous growth. Richard Watriss had extended his father's business and built a triphammer and scythe factory on Miller's brook. Jabez Parsons and Jabez Whiting in company had put in a water-power bark mill on the same stream, to do what before was done by horse-power. Joel Munsell had established a flourishing manufactory of wagons and wooden plows, the only kind then in use. Isaac Gregory and King Harris had tan-works a short distance south of where the Dickinson monument stands. Calvin Stearns was exercising his trade of carpenter, and Benj. Darling that of blacksmith ; while Webster and the Alexanders fully held their own. Timothy Swan was an accomplished hatter. But the leading firm was Pomeroy, Prior and Bowen, distillers, merchants, and boating.[1] They were just well started in a business which, though checked by the restrictive war measures, yet steadily grew, and eventually assumed broad proportions, and brought in large gains.

Thomas Power a young lawyer from Boston, and a man of fine taste and public spirit, settled in Northfield in 1812. He was the chief mover and founder of the Social Library, organized Feb. 18, 1813; and in the spring of 1815, set out most of the elms which now adorn the village. Franklin Ripley, so long an ornament to the Franklin county Bar, and widely known as a financier, completed his law studies in the office of John Barrett and was admitted to practice in 1812.

In 1812 or 13, Capt. Elisha Field opened a recruiting office in the north part of the house now owned by Timothy Field, where he enlisted a considerable number of men for the service. The company was called the Sea Fencibles, and was afterwards stationed at Fort Independence.

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[1] Ebenezer Janes followed boating for a number of years, but the exact date is not known.

Broom corn, as a field crop, was first raised in town about the year 1813, by Elihu Stratton. The brush was tied into a bundle and a round stick driven in for a handle. The brooms were clumsy affairs; and it was a long time before the women could be induced to exchange the Indian or peeled broom, to which habit had accustomed them. In 1855, there were manufactured in town 155,000 brooms, of the value of $27,000.

About this date died *Guy*, the noted slave of Dea. Timothy Dutton. He was a native African, tattooed on both cheeks before his capture. He was full of nonsense, as well as of wit. The sabbath after his funeral, Dea. Dutton and family sent to the desk the usual request for prayers; and the pathetic allusions to the old and faithful slave, and the earnestness and beauty of Mr. Mason's petitions for the family, were never forgotten by those who heard him.

1814. Sept. 9, orders were issued by Lieut. Col. William Edwards to Capt. Mattoon, "to march the company of Artillery under his command, completely armed with field pieces and apparatus to Boston, without delay, and report himself to the Adjutant-General." The company started from Northfield Sabbath Sept. 11, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, going through Warwick, Templeton, Lancaster, Waltham, Watertown, Cambridge, and reached South Boston, Sept. 17. They were in service two months.

Muster-Roll of Capt. E. Mattoon's Artillery Company.

Capt. Elijah Mattoon Jr.,
Lieut. Charles Bowen,
" Isaac Gregory,
Sergt. Calvin Stearns,
" King Harris,
" Sam^l Alexander,
" James Hosley,
" John Whiting,
Corp. Sharon Field,
" Elmer Wait,
" Nathan Simonds,
" Ansel Graves.
Music.
William Hall,[1]
John Fowler,
Thomas Rockwood.

Matross.
Micajah Hemenway,
Elias Holton,
John Holton Jr.,
Henry Wright,
Erastus Field,
Chapin Holden,
William Norton,
Elijah Shepardson,
Arunah Shepardson,
John Packard,
Aaron Dike Jr.,
Edw. Nettleton,
Reuben Lee,
Adam Torrey,
Miner Butler,

Cyrus Butler,
Ellsworth Hunt,
Alanson Hunt,
Apollos Morgan,
Abner E. Whiting,
Lucius Holton,
William Hancock,
Thomas Lyman,
Jabez F. Bissell.
Drivers.
Calvin Stratton,
Clark Fowler,
Obadiah Morgan,
Richard Colton.

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[1] Substitute for Joel Munsell sen.

The following men were drafted from the militia, and were out 57 days; most of them in Capt. Enoch Mayo's Co.:—Sergt. Otis French, Adolphus Lyman, Ezekiel Woods, Isaac Bridge (his father took his place), Thomas Kendall, Charles Reed, Mark Woodard (drafted from Montague), Moses Ellis, James Mattoon, Artemas Moody, Apollos Beach (substitute for Benj. Darling), Oliver Kendrick (substitute for Horace Holton), George Nettleton, Joseph Perry, Jona. Robbins, Eben^r Childs, Solomon Miller, Eben^r Dodge.

List of soldiers of the war of 1812, found among the papers of Col. Medad Alexander: Eben^r Church, Isaac Reed, Aaron Davis, Joseph Bridge, Joseph Cook, Simeon Mallory, Isaac Kendall, Zadock Turner, (an Englishman), Isaac Johnson, John Fairman, Samuel Presson, Jacob Miller.

Pleasure Carriages taxed in 1814, *owned by*

Elisha Alexander,	value	$40	Gen. John Nevers,	value	$75
William Belcher,	"	30	Wm. Pomeroy,	"	100
Benjamin Callender,	"	50	Dr. Sam^l Prentice,	"	50
Tim. B. Dutton,	"	40	Levi Sprague,	"	30
Obadiah Dickinson,	"	30	Capt. Reuben Smith,	"	40
Edw. Houghton,	"	50	Jabez Whiting,	"	40
Capt. Seth Lyman,	"	50	Ezek. Webster.	"	30
Joseph Lyman,	"	40			

1818. Nathan Prindle and 48 others living on the west side of the river petitioned the General Court to be set off into a new town.

HOP-RAISING.—The culture of hops as a field crop, was commenced this year on the Moose plains, by Abel How. In 1855, 30 acres were devoted to this crop, producing on an average 830 lbs. per acre. Total value $6,225.

SELECT SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LADIES.—As early as 1805 or 6, Miss Sally Williams opened a school in Union Hall, for the special instruction of girls. In 1814, Miss Patience Bancroft of Warwick commenced a select school in the same place, which was kept by her for about nine months in each of the years 1814, '15 and '16. She had a large number of young misses from Northfield and other towns, and was eminently successful. Miss Hannah Blake of Swansey, N. H., taught a similar school in 1821. Miss Julia Draper, afterwards founder and principal of the Ladies seminary at Hartford, Conn. was a pupil of Miss Bancroft, and taught her first school in district number Three, Northfield, in 1817. In 1823, her sister, Miss Emily Draper, had a select school in Union

Hall; and another sister, Miss Eliza Draper taught a similar school there a year or two later. These select classes were instrumental in educating a number of young ladies who afterwards became prominent teachers in our public schools. Miss Lydia Doolittle (now Mrs. Lydia Everett) acknowledges with gratitude her obligation to Miss Bancroft, for the training and culture which fitted her for eminent usefulness.

1825. THE SECOND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH AND PARISH. The second parish was organized Nov. 15, 1825; and a church in connection with the same, consisting of 30 members, was organized Nov. 17 of that year. The new society held religious services at Union Hall for about four years. Feb. 28, 1829, Isaac Prior, Rodolphus Lyman, Elisha Alexander Jr., Aaron Lyman, Ebenezer Slate, Elisha Lyman, John Long, John A. Fisher, Thomas Lyman, Elisha Ingram, Phinehas Field Jr., William Field, Lyman Gunn, Earl Wilde, Nathan Priest their associates and successors were incorporated into a religious society by the name of The Trinitarian Society of Northfield, with the usual privileges and subject to the usual liabilities of parishes. In the course of the year 1829 a meeting-house was built on the northwesterly corner of the Jacob Root home-lot. This house was remodeled in 1849, and is still standing.

TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

The pastors of this church have been: *Rev. Eli Moody*, born in Granby Mass., April 12, 1789; studied theology with Rev. Mr.

Perkins of East Amherst; installed, Nov. 22, 1826; dismissed Dec. 24, 1830. *Rev. Bancroft Fowler*, born at Pittsfield Mass., Sept. 12, 1775, grad. Y. C., 1796; installed April 21, 1831; dismissed July 20, 1836. *Rev. Horatio J. Lombard*, born at Stockbridge Mass., May 8, 1792; grad. W. C. 1815; installed July 20, 1836; dismissed Oct. 21, 1840. *Rev. Nathaniel Richardson*, born at Rockport, Dec. 3, 1806; grad. A. C. 1836; installed Oct. 21, 1840; dismissed Nov. 20, 1842. *Rev. Luther Farnham*, born at Concord, N. H. 1816; grad. D. C. 1837; And. Theo. Sem. 1841; ordained Nov. 20, 1844; dismissed April 9, 1845. *Rev. Willard Jones*, born at Hillsboro, N. H., July 17, 1809; grad. D. C. 1835; Lane Sem. 1838; preached as stated supply 1845–50; installed Nov. 17, 1859; died Nov. 24, 1861. *Rev. Isaac Perry*, acting pastor, 1862 till his death May 2, 1865. *Rev. Theodore J. Clark*, born at Northampton, Feb. 14, 1815; grad. W. C. 1836; And. Theo. Sem. 1841; acting pastor Dec. 1865 to 1870, installed Aug. 17, 1870; still in office.

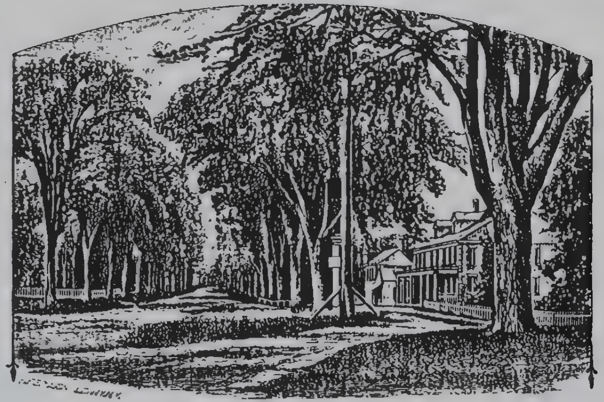
The communion service, consisting of two tankards, three plates, eight cups, and a baptismal font, now in use by this church, was a present from Mrs. Mary Dutton, widow of Dea. Timothy B. Dutton.

1826. The First Parish, as distinct from the town, was organized, through a warrant issued by a justice of the peace, Feb. 24, 1826.

1827. UNITARIAN CHURCH.— Fifty-six members of the First church withdrew from its communion this year, and organized the Unitarian society of Northfield. *Rev. Samuel Presbury*, grad. Bruns., 1822, and Harv. Div. Sch., 1825, was ordained over the new church and society Feb. 27, 1828, and dismissed Sept. 21, 1829.

1829. BAPTIST CHURCH.— A branch of the Baptist church of Leverett and Montague was constituted at Northfield Farms, in 1829. This branch was disbanded, and the names returned to the original church in 1846.

NORTHFIELD ACADEMY.—June 11, 1829, Samuel C. Allen, William Pomeroy, Jabez Parsons, Daniel L. Callender, Timothy Dutton, Thomas L. Doak their associates and successors were incorporated by the name of the Proprietors of the Northfield Academy of Useful Knowledge in the town of Northfield, with authority to hold real and personal estate not exceeding in value $50,000. The trustees purchased the property known as Hunt's hotel, and refitted it, adding piazzas etc. The school was opened in October, with Omen S. Keith as principal and Charles Osgood assistant. Mr. Keith was a



NORTHFIELD VILLAGE,

Looking North from Centre.

NORTHFIELD VILLAGE,

Looking South.

graduate of H. C., 1826, and had been preceptor of Framingham academy for three years. The school at once took high rank as a classical institution; which it maintained for several years. Mr. Keith was succeeded in November 1830, by Cyrus Hosmer of Concord, Mass., who was not a college graduate, but employed in the classical department, William A. Stearns (H. C. 1827), Jona. F. Stearns (H. C. 1830), Samuel M. Emery (H. C. 1830), Edgar Buckingham (H. C. 1831). Mr. Hosmer died Dec. 17, 1833, and was succeeded by William W. Wellington (H. C. 1832), and Joseph Mason.

Mr. Phineas Allen, a graduate of H. C. 1825, bought the academy property in the spring of 1835, and conducted the school as a private enterprise. Among his assistants were Miss Jane Whiting of Concord, Mass., Miss Lucinda R. Stone, Miss Mary Ann Willard of Cambridge, Mass. The school was discontinued in 1843.

A select school, for the instruction of lads and misses, has been kept in a part of the old academy building for a series of years, taught successively by Miss Mary E. Huse, Miss Mary Marshall and Miss Sarah J. Russell.

The beneficent influence of these schools of a higher grade is shown in the general intelligence of the people, and in a certain refinement of taste and manners, which at once attracts the notice of a stranger.

1830. After the retirement of Rev. Mr. Presbury in the fall of '29, and the dismissal of Rev. Mr. Mason Feb. 28, 1830, the seceding church re-united with the First church, and a unanimous call was given to Rev. George W. Hosmer a graduate of H. C. 1826. He was ordained June 10, 1830, and continued in the pastorate till July 1836.

"A *Sabbath school* was established this year, and proved the means of much good. The whole number of scholars was about 175. It was suspended during the winter months. Much of its success is due to the efficient exertions of Dr. Edward Jarvis the superintendent." *Church Records.*

PARISH FUND.—In 1832, Mr. William Pomeroy proposed to the first parish, to take the old meeting house and build a new one, on the southeast corner of the Parson Doolittle home-lot, on condition that the pews should be sold, and the avails (about $5000) constitute a permanent fund, the income of which should be expended for parish expenses. The new house was dedicated Oct. 16, 1833. It was burnt in 1871, and the present house erected on the same spot.

UNITARIAN CHURCH.

In 1835, a christening basin was presented to the church by Mrs. E. B. Woodward.

Ministerial Trust Fund.— In 1836, Mr. William Pomeroy made over by deed of gift, a certain parcel of land containing about 56 rods, together with certain mortgages and cash assets, to a board of trustees, for the purposes, and on the conditions, as followeth: viz.

"The said Trustees shall apply the rents, profit and income of said estates towards the maintenance and support of a minister of the Christian religion who shall perform his religious duties as minister of that religious society in Northfield called the First Parish:

Provided that the religious sentiments of such minister shall be in conformity with the general and more important sentiments and doctrines as taught at the Theological College in Cambridge in Massachusetts, which conformity is to be decided by said Trustees."

It is also provided, that if the parish shall be and remain destitute of a settled pastor for more that eight months at any one time, whatever income accrues from the fund, after the expiration of the said eight months and to the time of the settlement of a pastor, shall be paid over to the Theological College at Cambridge aforesaid: And if the parish shall be dissolved, or shall refuse or neglect to support a settled minister, as before provided, then the fund shall revert to the said Pomeroy his heirs and assigns.

The board of Trustees appointed by the grantor were, Arad Webster, Philip Hall, James White, Richard Colton, Josiah Alexander, Henry Alexander, Erastus Field, Lyman Gilbert and William G. Woodward, who were authorized to fill vacancies in their own number, however caused.— By the sale of the real estate, etc., the fund is now composed of cash assets of the value of $5000.

The successors of Rev. Mr. Hosmer are: *Rev. Oliver Capen Everett*, H. C., 1832, installed March 8, 1837, dismissed Nov. 26, 1848. *Rev. William C. Tenney*, H. C., 1838, installed Sept. 9, 1849, dismissed Oct. 28, 1858. *Rev. John Murray*, a native of Scotland, installed Feb. 2, 1859, dismissed Dec. 25, 1864. *Rev. Charles Noyes*, H. C. 1856, installed Oct. 1, 1865, dismissed June 30, 1872. *Rev. Jabez T. Sunderland*, installed 1872: still in office.

GRADUATES.—The following natives of Northfield have received a collegiate education: Seth Field, Y. C. 1732; Thomas Bridgman, H. C. 1762; Ebenezer Mattoon, D. C. 1776; Caleb Alexander, Y. C. 1777; Benjamin Burt, D. C. 1778; Frederick Hunt, D. C. 1800; Ebenezer Janes, D. C. 1801; Elihu Lyman, D. C. 1803; Isaac B. Barber, D. C. 1805; Joseph S. Lyman, D. C. 1805; John Barrett Jr., B. C. ——; Charles Barrett, B. C. ——; Joseph P. Allen, D. C. 1814; Lucius Field, W. C. 1821; Elisha Hunt Allen, W. C. 1823; Fred. H. Allen, U. Vt. ——; Isaiah Moody, B. U. ——; Samuel Prentice, D. C. 1832; Caleb C. Field, A. C. 1833; Thomas P. Field, A. C. 1834; Dwight H. Olmstead, Ham. Coll. ——; Justin Field, A. C. 1835; Frederic Janes; James K. Hosmer, H. C. 1855; Edgar F. Belding, Y. C. 1872.

Population of Northfield.

1765,	415	1830,	1757
1790,	868	1840,	1673
1800,	1047	1850,	1772
1810,	1218	1860,	1712
1820,	1584	1870,	1720

PHYSICIANS IN NORTHFIELD.— Mrs. William Miller, during the First and Second Settlements; Rev. Benj. Doolittle, 1718–1748; Eben^{r} Field, 1735–1759; Bildad Andros, 1750–1768; Samuel Mattoon, 1759–1807; Medad Pomeroy (Y. C. 1757) 1762–69, 1788–1807; Isaac Hurlburt, 1773–1813; Marcus Marble, 1780–'81; Eldad Alexander, 1783–1790; Samuel Prentice, 1786–1818; Jonathan

Sweet, 1800— ; Charles Blake, 1808–1841 ; Willard Arms 1818–'30 ; Marshall S. Mead, 1828— still in practice ; Edward Jarvis (H. C. 1826) 1830–'34 ; Asa S. Ruddock, 1830 — ; Philip Hall, 1834, still living ; James Henry, 1835 — ; Elijah Stratton, 1840, still in practice.

LAWYERS IN NORTHFIELD.— John Barrett, H. C. 1780, 1784–1816 ; Solomon Vose, H. C. 1787, 1795–1807 ; Samuel C. Allen, 1801 —— ; John Nevers, 1805 — till his death ; Thomas Power, B. U. 1808, 1812–'15 ; Franklin Ripley, D. C. 1809, 1812–'16 ; H. G. Newcomb, 1823 —— ; Asa Olmstead (grad. Coll. of N. J. 1814) 1828–'42 ; David Aiken, D. C. 1830, 1832 ; Benj. R. Curtis, H. C. 1829, 1832–'35 ; William G. Woodward, D. C. 1828, 1834–'39 ; Charles Mattoon, 1839–1853 ; Charles Devens, H. C. 1838, 1841–'44 ; Arthur L. Devens, H. C. 1840, 1843—.

STATE SENATORS.— Samuel C. Allen, 1812, '13, '14, '31. James White, 1841, '42, '45. Hugh W. Greene, 1857, '58. A. C. Parsons, 1865.

Representatives to the General Court.

John Beaman, 1737.
Ens. Phinehas Wright, 1774, '75.
Lt. Ebenezer Janes, 1778, '80, '88, '93.
Capt. Thomas Alexander, 1779,
Aaron Whitney, 1782, '83, '84,
Capt. Elisha Hunt, 1785, '86, '87, '90, '91, '96, '99, 1800, '03.
Obadiah Dickinson, 1792, '94.
John Barrett Esq., 1798.
Solomon Vose Esq., 1801, '02.
Col. Medad Alexander, 1804, '05, '06, '07, '12, '13, '16, '17, '19, '20.
Ezekiel Webster, 1808, '14, '15.
Gen. John Nevers, 1809, '10, '11.
Rev. Thomas Mason, 1824, '25, '26, '30, '32, '33, '34, '35.
Richard Colton, 1827.
Ezekiel Webster Jr., 1828, '29.
Isaac Prior, 1831, '32.
George Field, 1833.
Arad Webster, 1834, '36.
Job M. Dickinson, 1835.
Asahel Sawyer, 1837.
Samuel C. Allen Jr., 1837–1843.
Asahel Stebbins, 1839.
Harris Stratton, 1840.
Charles Osgood, 1844, '45.
Zebulon Allen, 1846.
Simeon A. Field, 1850.
Earl Wilde, 1852.
Dr. Marshall S. Mead, 1853.
Jonathan Lyman, 1854.
S. S. Holton, 1855.
Dr. Elijah Stratton, 1856.
William D. Hastings, 1857.
Wright Stratton, 1859.
A. C. Parsons, 1861.
Samuel W. Dutton, 1863.
Thomas Metcalf, 1866.
Thomas J. Field, 1868.
Asa A. Holton, 1872.
E. E. Belding, 1873.
Charles H. Greene, 1875

TOWN CLERKS.— William Clarke and Wm. Clarke Jr. during the Second Settlement. Dea. Ebenezer Wright, 1714. Maj. John Stoddard, 1715–23. Eleazar Holton, 1723–32. Nehemiah Wright, 1733–38. Seth Field, 1739–87. Ebenezer Janes, 1788-1804. Ezekiel Webster, 1805-20. Xenophon Janes, 1821-29. Willard

Arms, 1829, '30. Daniel L. Callender, 1831-39. Charles Osgood, 1840-48, 1850-60. Samuel W. Dutton, 1849-52, 1861 still in office.

TOWN TREASURERS.— Hezekiah Stratton, 1723. Nathaniel Mattoon, 1724. Dea. Benj. Janes, 1725. Ens. Zechariah Field, 1739-41. Lieut. Jona. Belding, 1745–51. Seth Field, 1742-4, 1755–7. Benoni Wright, 1752-4, 1758-9. Dr. Samuel Mattoon, 1760-93. Samuel Brewer, 1794-97, Barnabas Billings, Oct. 1797-1804. Benj. Callender, 1805-9, 1821, 23, 24, 36. Zechariah Field, 1809-12. Thomas Alexander, 1812-20, 22. Capt. King Harris, 1825-29. James White, 1830-35. S. C. Allen Jr., 1837-39. Jona. H. Blake, 1840-41. Charles Osgood, 1852-60. Samuel W. Dutton, 1842-51, 1861-74.

List of Selectmen, nearly complete.

Benoni Moore, 1718, 20, 23, 24, 30, 32.
Capt. Benjamin Wright, 1718, 20, 23, 24, 30, 32.
Peter Evens, 1718, 29, 41.
Isaac Warner, 1718.
Benjamin Janes, 1719.
Thomas Holton, 1719.
Eleazar Mattoon, 1719, 28, 31.
Eliezur Wright, 1720, 24, 32, 33.
Ebenezer Alexander, 1720, 23, 25, 32, 38, 39, 42, 49, 50, 51, 53.
Ens. Zechariah Field, 1721, 33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42.
Sergt. Joseph Petty, 1721, 23, 34.
Hezekiah Stratton, 1721, 28, 40, 41, 43.
Remembrance Wright, 1722, 49.
Ebenezer Field, 1722.
Eleazar Holton, 1722.
Jona. Belding, 1723, 25, 29, 35, 38, 39, 47, 57, 62, 63.
Azariah Wright, 1730, 35, 36, 37, 44, 45, 46, 50.
Joseph Burt, 1730, 34, 42, 43.
Samuel Hunt, 1734, 40, 44, 50, 51, 52, 54, 56, 61.
Nathaniel Mattoon, 1735, 44, 45, 48, 51, 55.
Isaac Mattoon, 1736, 52.
Daniel Wright, 1736, 37, 44.
John Beaman, 1737.
Seth Field, 1743, 45, 50, 52, 54, 61, 63, 69, 71, 74.
Samuel Smith, 1746, 49, 55.
Nehemiah Wright, 1746, 56.
Joshua Lyman, 1747, 49, 51, 53, 55, 61, 62, 68.
Eleazar Patterson, 1747, 48, 51.
Benoni Wright, 1748, 49.
William Wright, 1750.
Phinehas Wright, 1752, 66, 70, 75.
Samuel Holton, 1752.
John Holton, 1753, 56.
Thomas Alexander, 1754, 71, 77 83.
Moses Field, 1754, 58, 62.
Simeon Alexander, 1755, 67, 79.
Dr. Bildad Andros, 1755.
Stephen Belding, 1756, 58.
Ebenezer Janes, 1763, 66, 69, 70, 73, 76, 79, 81, 83, 84, 85, 88, 90, 91, 93.
Lucius Doolittle, 1766, 80.
Dr. Samuel Mattoon, 1767, 72, 73, 75, 77, 80, 81, 82, 84, 85, 87, 89, 94, 95.
Samuel Root, 1768.
Eleazar Pomeroy, 1768.
Dr. Medad Pomeroy, 1769.
Ebenezer Stratton, 1769.
Simeon Lyman, 1770, 79, 81.
Philip Mattoon, 1771.
Alexander Norton, 1772.

Hezekiah Stratton, 1772, 77, 80, 87.
Aaron Whitney, 1773, 80, 86.
Eldad Wright, 1774, 76.
Capt. Samuel Merriman, 1774.
Seth Lyman, 1775, 78, 84, 86, 88, 92, 94, 95, 98, 99, 1805, 6.
Elisha Hunt, 1776, 82, 85, 87, 92, 94, 95, 96, 97.
Jonathan Belding, 1778.
Eliphaz Wright, 1778.
Simeon Alexander, 1779, 1808, 9, 11.
Oliver Smith, 1779.
Lemuel Holton, 1780.
James Lyman, 1782, 89, 97, 1800, 1, 2, 3, 4,
Ebenezer Severance, 1783, 88.
George Field, 1786, 1818, 19, 20.
Elisha Alexander, 1789, 91, 93, 97.
Medad Alexander, 1790, 96, 1800, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 23, 24.
Rufus Stratton, 1790, 96, 98, 99.
Oliver Watriss, 1791.
Reuben Smith, 1792.
John Barrett Esq., 1793.
Timothy Dutton, 1798, 99.
Walter Field, 1800, 1, 2, 3, 4, 12, 31.
Samuel Field, 1805, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13.
John Nevers, 1808, 21, 22.
Abner Sawyer, 1810.
Jonathan Janes, 1812.
Timothy B. Dutton, 1813, 14, 15, 16, 17.
Hezekiah Mattoon, 1815, 18, 24.
Elisha Lyman, 1817, 19, 20, 21, 22, 28, 29.
Job M. Dickinson, 1817, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 34, 36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 48.
William Pomeroy, 1821, 22.
Isaac Prior, 1823.
Elihu Stratton, 1823.
Isaac Mattoon, 1825, 26, 27.
Richard Colton, 1825, 26, 27.
Asahel Sawyer, 1828, 29, 46.
Thomas Howe, 1830, 32.
Arad Webster, 1830, 33, 35, 44, 49.
Timothy Dutton, 1831, 36.
Henry Alexander, 1831, 32.
Benjamin Callender, 1832.
Erastus Field, 1833.
Josiah Alexander, 1833.
Thomas Mason, 1834.
Harris Stratton, 1834, 37, 48.
John Thurston, 1835.
Asahel Stebbins, 1835, 36, 38, 39.
Jona. H. Blake, 1837.
Jona. Belcher, 1838, 42, 43.
Earl Wilde, 1839.
R. G. Cook, 1840, 41.
Simeon A. Field, 1840, 41, 42, 43, 44, 46, 50, 51, 52.
Charles Osgood, 1845, 46.
Elijah E. Belding, 1845, 46, 47, 49, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 66.
Rufus Caldwell, 1847.
Joseph Young, 1848, 58, 59.
Samuel Merriman, 1849.
Samuel S. Holton, 1850, 51, 52, 53.
William Holton, 1850.
Franklin Barber, 1851.
Nelson W. Purple, 1852, 53, 54.
Samuel W. Dutton, 1853, 54, 55.
Horace F. Field, 1854, 62.
Jonathan Lyman, 1855, 56.
Judah Nash, 1856.
Samuel Lane, 1857, 61, 62, 63, 64.
Thomas Metcalf, 1857.
Elisha Stratton, 1858, 59.
Elisha Alexander, 1860.
Horace Holton, 1861.
E. G. Cole, 1861.
Winsor L. Fay, 1852.
Lewis T. Webster, 1863, 64, 65.
Henry W. Montague, 1863, 64, 65, 70, 71, 72.
Edwin M. Alexander, 1865.

A. C. Parsons, 1866.
Apollos Morgan, 1866, 67.
Henry Johnson, 1867.
Jona. L. Preston, 1867.
James O. Gale, 1868.
James E. Priest, 1868.
Charles Pomeroy, 1869.
Rufus K. Caldwell, 1869.
Clesson Merriman, 1869.
George Hastings, 1870.
Asa A. Holton, 1870, 71, 72, 73, 74.
Roswell Holton, 1870, 71.
Samuel G. Pratt, 1873.
Henry W. Dickinson, 1873.

THE REBELLION OF 1861-65.— The following list of soldiers sent from Northfield to this war is copied from the minutes in the town clerk's office, and is supposed to be correct.

Three years men in Co. B., 22d Reg. mustered Oct. 5, 1861. Lieut. Fred. R. Field (promoted Capt.), Silas W. Bailey, Frank Brown (d. Nov. 29, '61), Adolphus O. Carter, Calvin S. Field (k. Gettysburg, July 4, '63), Geo. P. Field (wounded), Charles X. Janes, Wm. B. Janes, Wm. H. Johnson (k. Gaines's Mills July 27, '62), Daniel D. Kemp, Isaac Mattoon, Lucius B. Rumrill, Wesley L. Smith, Wm. B. Smith, Aaron Stebbins, Lemuel X. Turner, Joseph Young.

Geo. Mason,	enlisted 3 years in	Co. F.	1st Reg.	Cav. must.	Sept. 25, 1861.
Smith W. Copan,	"	Co. H.	20th "	Inf., must.	Sept. 4, 1861.
Chauncey B. Mattoon,	"		"	"	Aug. 8, 1861.
Nathan H. Simonds,	"	Co. G.	10th "	"	July 24, 1861.
Marshall A. Potter,	"		" "	"	June 21, 1861.
Geo. W. Field,	"	Co. H.	"	"	July 24, 1861.
Charles W. Grout,	"	Co. D.	21st "	"	Oct. 11, 1861.
Frank W. Weeks,	"		" "	"	Oct. 11, 1861.

Three years men in Co. C. 27th Reg. Inf. mustered Oct. 3—25, 1861. Gardner Collar, Joseph Gates, Charles W. Harvey, James S. Johnson, Henry H. Johnson, C. H. Parmenter, Thales H. Page, Elijah Carter, Frank Lovejoy, Andrew J. Andrews.

Richard D. Battles, enl. for three years in Co. G. 30th Reg. Inf. must. Nov. 20, 1861 ; k. July 13, '63.

Michael Kelliher, enl. three years in Co. E, 28th Reg. Inf. must. Dec. 14, 1861.

Nine months men in Co. F. 52d Reg. Inf. mustered Oct. 11, 1862. Lieut. Marshall S. Stearns, Sergt. Hezekiah Hastings, Corp. John H. Robbins, Corp. Edward C. Nash, McK. Britt, Elijah W. Chamberlain, Ansel Field, Frank S. Field, Geo. G. Felton, Clem. C. Holton, Job M. Leonard, Elijah S. Merriman, Wm. E. Merriam, Warren Mattoon, Albin N. Nash, Joseph B. Pierce, Charles A. Stimpson, Lucius Stimpson, Asahel Sawyer, Edw. B. Stearns, Oscar Wood, Charles C. Brewer.

Geo. W. Field, enl. nine months in Co. F. 53d Reg. Inf. must. Oct. 17, 1862.

Charles Dewey, enl. three years in 2d Cav. must. Dec. 10, 1862.

Three years men in Co. H. 36th Reg. Inf. mustered Aug. 27, 1862. Sergt. Theodore Fisher, Corp. John A. Fisher Jr., Loren C. Hayden, George Clark, Nathan L. Cutting, Samuel D. Dutton, Geo. A. Fisher, Joseph A. Harris, Eugene D. Holton (d. in hospital), Elliot D. Stone, John D. Stone, Frank H. Turner, John H. Blake, Henry Murdock.

Three years men in Co. K. 36th Reg. Inf. mustered Aug. 27, 1862. Samuel Cutting Jr., Chas K. Spaulding, George Webster.

H. S. Caldwell, enl. three years in Co. G, 31st Reg. Inf. must. Nov. 14, 1862.

Matthew Conghlin, enl. 3 y. in 7th Heavy Art., must. July 21, 1863.

Henry E. Pierce, enl. 3 y. in Co. I, 32d Reg. Inf. must. Sept. 1, 1863, d. Nov. 23, '63.

Geo. P. Field, enl. 3 y. in 27th Reg. Inf., must. Dec. 28, 1863.

Joshua Maynard, enl. 3 y. in 34th Reg. Inf. must. Jan. 12, 1864.

Dennis Harrigan, enl. 3 y. in 20th Reg. Inf. must. Mar. 15, 1864.

Frank Beaver,	"	in 3d Cav.		mustered	Mar. 16, 1864,
Lewis Luck,	"	"		"	"
M. D. Thompson,	"	19th	Reg. Inf.	"	Mar. 23, 1864.
John Kenially,	"	28th	"	"	Mar. 21, 1864.
Noah S. Hutchins,	"	11th	"	"	Feb. 27, 1864.
Henry Sarchfield,	"	"	"	"	Mar. 1, 1864.
Joseph Smith,	"	"	"	"	"
Thomas Haley,	"	"	"	"	"
Edward Foster,	"	"	"	"	"
John Robertson,	"	"	"	"	"
Richard Fitzgerald,	"	"	"	"	Feb. 24, 1864.
John Lewis,	"	"	"	"	Feb. 26, 1864.
George H. Freeman,	"	"	"	"	Feb. 29, 1864.
Francis Labonte,	"	Co. I,	"	"	Feb. 29, 1864.
Addison Cross,	"		"	"	"
John Serrell,	"		"	"	"
Freeman White,	"		"	"	"
Charles Duchine,	"		"	"	"
Lucius H. Mann,	"		"	"	Mar. 2, 1864.
Eugene H. Hawes,	"		"	"	"
John Miller,	"		"	"	"
William Gifford,	"		"	"	"
James Hoyt,	"		"	"	"
Charles W. Libby,	"		"	"	Mar. 1, 1864.
Henry C. Mitchell,	"		"	"	"
John Gaffney,	"		"	"	Mar. 3, 1864.
Michael Riley,	"		"	"	Mar. 2, 1864.
William Spencer,	"		"	"	Mar. 1, 1864.
George E. Sockling,	"		"	"	"
Joseph Quigley,				mustered	July, 1864.

C. K. Kimpland,	enl. 3 y. in	14th Mass Battery	must.	Aug. 12, 1864.
Geo. H. Mason,	"	21st Reg. Inf.	"	"
Richard Heath,	"	20th "	"	Mar. 31, 1864.
Archibald Watson,	"	Co. K, 58th Inf.	"	Dec. 9, 1864.
Charles Baar,	"	13th Mass Battery	"	Dec. 30, 1864.
George Ball,	"	4th Cav.	"	Dec. 27, 1864.
Elnahan Britt,	"	Co. H. 31st Inf.	"	Feb. 23, 1864.
Dwight Cook,	"	37th "	"	Dec. 7, 1864.
Patrick Barry,	"		mustered	Aug. 12, 1864.
Lafayette Ross,	"		"	"

Three years men in the Vet. Reserve Corps, mustered Aug., 1864, Cornelius Leary, Joseph F. Shepard, Edwin Jones, Andrew Ray, William E. Northend, George A. Sawin, Martin Burke, L. L. Fairchild, John S. Gilbert, James L. King, A. W. Brookings.

Thomas Scanlan,	enl. 3 y. in	17th Reg. Inf.	Feb. 23, 1865.
A. O. Stimpson,	enl. 1 y. in	2d Cav.	Feb. 29, 1865.
John Whalley,	"	"	Feb. 24, 1865.
John Timony,	"	(unknown)	Mar. 9, 1865.
James Canfield,	"	"	Mar. 9, 1865.

APPENDIX.

[It has been thought that justice to the memory of Rev. Benjamin Doolittle required the reprint, in the Annals of Northfield, of the following Narrative. Not more than three copies of the tract are known to be in existence. It contains some errors of date and fact, which will be found corrected in Chapter VIII.]

A Short NARRATIVE of MISCHIEF done by the *French* and *Indian* Enemy, ON THE Western Frontiers of the Province of the *Massachusetts Bay;* From the Beginning of the *French War*, proclaimed by the King of *France March* 15th 1743, 4; and by the King of GREAT BRITAIN *March* 29th, 1744, to *August* 2d, 1748. Drawn up by the Reverend Mr. DOOLITTLE of *Northfield* in the County of *Hampshire;* and found among his Manuscripts after his Death. And at the Desire of some, is now Published, with some small Additions, to render it more perfect. BOSTON: Printed and Sold by S. KNEELAND, in Queenstreet. MDCCL.

A Short NARRATIVE &c.

My Purpose is only to relate Facts, as near as I am capable, from the best Information I could get: But it is probable there may be some Mistakes from Misinformation, arising from the different Apprehension Men have had concerning Facts, and the different Interests Men have in View: Some having a Desire to render their own, and the Actions of their Friends better than they were and the Actions of others worse than they ought to appear: Which makes it difficult in every Case to obtain an impartial Account.

On the 15th of *March* 1743, 4, *France* being instigated by *Spain* (which was in open War with *England*) declared War with *Great Britain: France* had in Concert with *Spain* long laid this Scheme; hoping hereby to bring down *England* to their Will: And the aspiring young *French* Monarch hop'd to make himself great; and render his Neighbours low. The King of *Great Britain* soon had the News; and on the 29th of the *same Month* declared War against *France.*

What has been done by the Nations in *Europe*, on the Seas, or Continents, I am not about to relate; only what was done in these *Western Frontiers* of the *Massachusetts Bay.*

1744.

The *first Year* of the War passed without any Mischief; and was spent in putting ourselves into a Posture of Defence.

1745.

But in the Year 1745, *July* 5th, the *Indian* Enemy came to a Place called the *Great Meadow* on *Connecticut River* about sixteen Miles above *Fort-Dummer;* and took one *William Phips* as he was hoeing his Corn. The *two* that took him led him near half a Mile from the Place and stopt: Upon which (as we have heard from the *Indians*) one went down a steep Hill to fetch something they had left: on his Return *Phips* catch'd hold of their Guns, shot him down, and then fell upon the other with his Hoe, which he carried with him; struck him down, and chop'd him very much, and then attempted to run away; But *three Indians* coming up at that Instant, shot him down, kill'd & scalp'd him, & mangled his Body very much; and we have heard, the *Indian* which he wounded with his Hoe, died afterwards of his Wounds.

July 10. The same, or some other Party of *Indians*, came to a Place called the *Upper-Ashuelot*, kill'd and scalp'd Deacon *Josiah Fisher*, as he was driving his Cows to the Pasture, about half a Mile from the Garrison.

October 11. A considerable Party of *French* & *Indians* came to a Place called the *Great Meadow*; and made an Attempt on the *Fort*, but did not succeed: But took Mr. *Nehemiah How* Captive, and carried him to *Quebec*, where he died in Prison above a Year after he was taken. As these Enemies went off they kill'd and scalp'd one *David Rugg*, who with another Man was coming down the River in a Canoe; the other Man made his Escape: and they kill'd a Number of Cattle.

1746.

April 19. The Enemy came to the uppermost, and most Frontier Place on *Connecticut River* called *Number Four*; where they took *three Men* as they were going to Mill about half a Mile distant from the Garrison; viz. Capt. *John Spafford*, *Isaac Parker*, and *Stephen Farnsworth*. They were Prisoners some time in *Canada*; but are since returned to their Homes.

April 22. A Man was shot upon between *Northfield* and *Deerfield*; but only shot thro' the Brim of his Hat.

April 23. About *fifty* of the *Indian* Enemy came to a Place called the *Upper-Ashuelot* early in the Morning, and designed to have rush'd into the Garrison just after the People went out: But one at a little Distance from the Garrison saw them, and gave Warning to the People.— They pursued those that were out of the Garrison, and took one *Nathan Blake* Captive, who after a long Imprisonment is returned to his Friends. The enemy approached near the Garrison Gate, shot down one *John Bullard*, who soon died; and stab'd one *Daniel McKenny's* Wife in the Back with a long Knife, who soon died. Soon after which, the Enemy burnt *seven Buildings*, not only to devour the Peoples Substance, but to conceal their Dead; for human Bones were found in the Ashes: They kill'd also *twenty three Cattle*.

April 26. It is probable some of the same *Indians* Way-laid the Road between *Lunenburg* and *Northfield*, and kill'd and scalp'd one *Joshua Holton* of *Northfield*, who was returning from *Boston* with a considerable Sum of Money for billeting of Soldiers.

May 2. The Enemy came again to *Number Four*; and as a few Men went out in the Morning about 50 or 60 *Rods* from the *Fort*, the Enemy lay in a Barn, fired on them; and kill'd one *Seth Putnam*: as the Enemy were scalping of him, Major *Josiah Willard*, with two Men, ran near to them, fir'd upon them, and made them immediately retreat in Confusion; and we hear by the Captives that *two* of the *Enemy* were kill'd as they were scalping *Putnam.*

May 6. A Party of *Indians* came to *Lower-Ashuelot,* and lay about the Garrison, till they observing Deacon *Timothy Brown* and *Robert Moffett* going out of the Garrison towards *Upper-Ashuelot,* Way-laid them, and fir'd upon them. *Moffett* shot on them and broke the chief Indian's Arm: They were both taken Captive, and carried to *Canada;* but are since returned.

At the *same Time,* a Party lay about the Garrison at the *Upper-Ashuelot;* and as one of them ventur'd to come up to the *Fort,* and shook the Gate in the Night, the Watch shot at the Gate, and shot the *Indian* thro' the bottom of his Belly: who died before he reach'd *Crown Point.*

May 9. A considerable Party of *Indians* came to *Fall-Town;* with a Design to rush into the *Fort* in the middle of the Day, when the Men were Abroad: but a Soldier a little distant from the *Fort* discovering them, alarmed the *Fort;* but he himself could not recover the *Fort.* There being but *three Men* in the *Fort,* defended themselves; the *Women* assisting in charging the Guns. The Enemy approached near the *Fort;* but were soon repulsed; did no Mischief, except slightly wounding *John Burk,* burning *one House,* and killing *ten Cattle.* The *chief Indian* had his Arm broke, and one or two more were wounded.

The *Same Day* Serjeant *John Hawks* and *John Mibils,* being a little distant from *Fort Massachusetts,* riding on a Horse; *two Indians* Way-laid them, fir'd upon them, and wounded both of them. *Mibils* made his Escape to the *Fort.* Serjeant *Hawks* falling from the Horse, the *Indians* ran to scalp him; but he soon recovering, presented his Gun: One *Indian* jump'd down the Bank, the other got behind a Tree: one being a little distant from his Gun, the other discharged; in their Language, as we have since heard, called for Quarter; but the not understanding them, continued hallowing to the *Fort* to come and help take them; but they not hearing, the *Indians* made their Escape.

May 10. Some of the *Indians,* that were the Day before disappointed at *Fall-Town,* turned off to *Colerain,* about ten Miles *North West* from *Deerfield,* and Way-laid the Road; and as one *Matthew Clark* with his Wife and Daughter, and *three* Soldiers, were going from the Garrison to *Clark's* House, they fir'd upon them: they kill'd and scalp'd said *Clark,* and wounded his Wife and Daughter: one Soldier play'd the Man, fir'd several Times — defended and bro't off the Woman and her Daughter to the *Fort,* who are recovered of their Wounds.

May 24. There came a large Body of the Enemy to *Number Four.* Capt. *Pain* with his Troop arriving there while the Enemy lay in Ambush; about *twenty Men* went out of the *Fort* to view the Place where *Putnam* was kill'd: the Ambush rose, fir'd upon them, and endeavour'd to run between them and the *Fort.* Capt. *Stevens* and a Number of Men issued out of the *Fort* for their Relief: a Skirmish began, in which *Aaron Lion, Peter Perrin, Joseph Mercy* of Capt. *Pain's* Troop; *Samuel Farnsworth,* and *Elijah Allen,* belonging to the *Fort,* were killed: Quarter-Master *Bacon* wounded, and Ensign *Obadiah Sartle* taken Captive, who is since returned Home: He says, he saw *five* of the Enemy dead after the Fight: They left thirteen Blankets, five Coats, a Gun and other Things.

June 11. A considerable Number of *Indians* came to *Fort-Massachusetts;* fell upon some Men who were at Work some Distance from the *Fort;* kill'd, and scalp'd *Elisha Nims;* wounded *Gershom Hawks:* An Ambush arose near the *Fort*, and endeavoured to intercept those who were running to the *Fort*, but were repulsed by a brisk firing from the *Fort:* They took *Benjamin Tainter* Captive, who is since returned Home. They kill'd near *One Hundred Creatures* belonging to the *English* and *Dutch*. A few Days after, one of the *Indians* was found buried in the Side of the Bank of the River; and also some long Leading-Lines bro't to lead Captives Home in Triumph, were found.

June 19. A large Body of the Enemy came again to *Number Four;* and as Capt. *Stevens* and Capt *Brown*, with about *fifty Men* were going into the Meadow, perceived by the Dogs with them, that there was an Ambush by the Causey; which put them into a Readiness for an Engagement: One of Capt. *Stevens's* Men saw one of the Enemy, and fired at him: Upon which, the Ambush arose, and a sharp Engagement ensued: the Enemy were forced to retreat, drawing off their dead Men, as was known by the Signs afterwards discovered: None of our Men were kill'd on the Spot: *Jedediah Winchel* was wounded, and died of his Wounds a Fortnight after: *David Parker*, *Jonathan Stanhope*, and Cornet *Heaton*, were wounded, but are recovered: a Scalp was drop'd by the *Indians*, supposed to be a *French* Scalp: one Gun, eight Blankets, and other Things left by the Enemy.

June 24. A Party of the Enemy came near to a *Fort* called *Bridgman's-Fort*, about two Miles below *Fort-Dummer:* fell upon some Men at Work in the Meadow, kill'd *William Robbins*, and *James Barker:* and took one *Daniel How*, and *John Beaman* Captive, who just before he was taken shot an *Indian* and kill'd him; they are since returned from Captivity: they also wounded *Michael Gilson*, and *Patrick Ray*, who are recovered of their wounds.

July 3. A Small Party of the Enemy laid an Ambush at Col. *Hinsdell's* Mill. Col. *Willard* with about *twenty Men* went to get some Grinding: when they set the Mill a-going, went to search round the Mill to see whether there were not an Ambush: and some of the Men happening to go where the Ambush was, the Enemy fired upon them: our Men engaged, and pursued them a little Way, and recovered of the Enemy the most of their Packs: one *Wright* was slightly wounded.

July 28. *David Morrison* of *Colerain*, a young Lad, Seeing a Hawk light on a Tree a little distance from his Father's *Fort*, went to shoot him: there happened to be about *twelve Indians* at the Place, who took him Captive: We have no certain News what became of him.

August 3. A large Body of the Enemy came to *Number Four*. The Dogs gave Information that the Enemy were about them: Early in the Morning some went out near to a Nursery, and were fir'd upon by some *Indians* who lay there. One *Phillips* was killed: the Enemy run off: our Men charg'd their guns and returned to the *Fort*. Some time after, when they went to fetch

Phillips into the *Fort*, the Ambush arose, and fired about an Hundred Guns at them: the Men fired some time, retreating to the *Fort*. The Enemy continued firing till the next Day: then burnt the Buildings, kill'd the Cattle, and drew off.

August 6. About *thirty Indians* came to *Winchester;* Way-laid the Road; and as six of our Men were passing they fir'd on them, kill'd and scalp'd one *Joseph Rawson*, and slightly wounded *Amasa Wright*.

August 11. A small Party of *Indians* came to *Northfield:* Shot upon *Benjamin Wright* a young Man, as he was riding after Cows to bring them out of the Woods; but his Horse brought him into Town, and he died the following Night.

August 15. A Number of *Indians* shot upon *four Men* near *Shattuck's-Fort*, but hurt none. A few Days before they hung up a white Flag in Sight of the *Fort*.

August 17. Some *Indians* came to a Place called *Pequaiog;* kill'd and scalp'd one *Ezekiel Wallingford*, who was alone out at some Distance from the *Fort*.

August 20. About *seven* or *eight Hundred* of *French* and *Indians* came to *Fort-Massachusetts*, and laid Siege about twenty-four Hours. After which, they desired to speak with the Officer; who admitted the Messenger into the *Fort*, who said in the Name of the General, that if they would surrender, they should be well used. Our Men consulted together, finding they had not Ammunition to stand them many Hours, tho' they had been sparing in firing; and considering the Number of Sick they had in the Fort, tho't it their wisest Method to make the best Capitulation they could: accordingly resigned themselves Prisoners of War into the Hands of the *French;* with the General's Promise, that none of them should be given into the Hands of the *Indians;* and that the Sick, and such as could not travel should be carried. Yet notwithstanding, He the next Day delivered one Half of our People into the Hands of the *Indians;* who the next Night kill'd *one* of our Men, who was sick, rather than carry him. The *French* treated our Men civilly and tenderly: So also did the *Indians* those with them according to their Manner. *Thirty-two Men, Women* and *Children* Surrendered: many of whom died in *Canada*.

The Reason of this Garrison's being lost, was, it's want of Ammunition; which had they been well Supply'd with, they might have defended the *Fort*, and done much greater Spoil on the Enemy than they did: yet we have had Intelligence that near *fifty* of the Enemy were kill'd before the *Fort* surrendered.

By whose Neglect the *Fort* was lost, we know not; but it's probable had the Officer been deficient, he would have been disgraced. But want of Ammunition was not only the Calamity of that Fort; but also of the greater Part of our Garrisons at that Time.

There was *one Man* kill'd in the Fight, and Many died in Prison at *Canada:* Some are returned Home. And the *Fort* was burnt down; which it cost the Province many Hundreds to rebuild.

August 22. As about ten of our Men were going from *Deerfield* to *Colerain*, two or three *Indians* lying by the Road, fired on them; shot down one *Constant Bliss* a *Connecticut* Soldier: the rest made off as fast as they were able: The Indians scalp'd *Bliss:* and finding some Rum our Men left, the Indians took it, got very merry with it, and (as they told afterwards) the next Morning when they awak'd, they were near one of the Garrisons at *Colerain:* The Rum had lik'd to have proved as fatal to them as to our Men.

August 25. *Thirty* of this Army came to *Deerfield;* not being satisfied with what was done at *Fort-Massachusetts;* and fell upon some People in the South Part of the Meadow: They kill'd and scalp'd *Samuel Allen*, *Eleazar Hawks* Jun., *Oliver Amsden*, *Simeon Amsden*, of *Deerfield*, and *Adonijah Gillet*, a Soldier: they wounded *Eunice Allen;* and took *Samuel Allen*, a Child of about nine years old; *Allen* kill'd one of the Enemy just before he was kill'd; and it is supposed another was kill'd by some other Person.

☞ Had there not been a continual firing in the Town from Day to Day; the People would have took the Alarm, and might have been upon the Enemy before ever they could have got out of the Meadow: Which shews the great Necessity of Order and Discipline in Frontier Towns.

This *Summer* a Proclamation was issued for inlisting Soldiers for an Expedition against *Canada;* and a great Number freely inlisted, hoping the Time was coming, that God would deliver us out of the Hands of our Enemies in *Canada:* and the Soldiers especially inlisted out of the Garrisons; some in order to be freed from the Province Service, which they were weary of; others with some more generous Views for the public Good: and all Endeavours to put a Check to the Fury of the Enemy were stopt: the whole Concern was to get ready for the expected Expedition: but how this turned out, we all know: great Numbers of Men kept in Pay and Idleness 'till disbanded, to the Ruin of many of them, and the great Hurt of the Country.

1747.

March 30. About *thirty* or *forty Indians* came to a *Fort* called *Shattuck's-Fort* between *Northfield* and Col. *Hinsdell's*, with a Design to burn it: they had made Faggots of dry Spruce & Pitch Pine; dipt the Ends of them in Brimstone; brought Fire in a Kettle covered with a Blanket; and coming silently to the Fort in the Night, set it on Fire; which burnt down *that Part* of it which stood on the *South-Side* of the *Brook:* but presently after the Fire began, the Wind which was Southerly, turning to the Northward, and the Soldiers getting into the other Part, by help of the Brook and Wind, prevented the Progress of the Fire to the *North-Side:* and then the Enemy with Surprize observing the sudden Turn of the Wind, in our Favour, drew off without doing any other Mischief. The *English* fired at them, & broke the Leg of one of them.

March 31. Capt. *Eleazer Melvin* with some of his Company who were then at *Northfield*, pursued them to the *Great Meadow*, shot across the River at them, and kill'd one of them: They burnt the *Fort* which the *English* had deserted.

April 7. An Army of *French* and *Indians* came to *Number Four*, and laid Siege to the Garrison. Capt. *Stevens* being there with about *thirty* Men, made all necessary provision for their Defence; especially by digging Trenches from dnuer the Fort about a Yard outwards in several Places, at so near a Distance to each other, as by throwing Water we might put out the Fire, in Case the Enemy by their four Wheel Carriages loaden with Faggots shou'd set any outward Part of the Fort on Fire. They continued shooting, and throwing their *Fire-Arrows* for near two Days: and then desired to speak with the Captain, who admitted three of them into the Fort; three of our Men going out to the Enemy at the same Time: they demanded the Fort; & promis'd our Men to carry them safe to *Mount-Real*, to their Friends, if they would surrender: but the Captain assured them he should not resign the Fort.— After which they continued firing, and made some Preparation to Storm the Fort, till the next Day; and then they requested the Captain to sell them some Corn; he told them he would grant them five Bushels of Corn for every Hostage they should send into the Fort, to be kept till the Enemy should bring and deliver so many of our Captives from *Canada*. But on the third Day they drew off, having done no Mischief, except slightly wounding *Joseph Ely* and *John Brown*. Governour *Knowles* was so pleased with Capt. *Stevens's* Conduct, as to make him a Present of a very costly Silver-hilted Sword.

April 14. This or another Army came to *Northfield*, with a Design to have taken Part of the Town. The next Day a little after Sun-set, they kill'd and scalp'd *Nathaniel Dickinson* and *Asahel Burt*, as they were bringing Cows out of the Woods; and then drew off in the Night to *Winchester*, and the two *Ashuelots*, & burnt down those three Towns; which a little before had been deserted by the Inhabitants, because the Soldiers were all drawn off without any Orders to assist the Inhabitants in removing or carrying off their Substance.

☞ Such little Concern has there been to the poor People in the Frontiers at other Times as well as this.

May 25. As Col. *William Williams* with a considerable Body of *Canada-Soldiers* were by Order of the Government re-building *Fort-Massachusetts;* an Army of the Enemy came upon them with a Design to frustrate them. Major *Williams* of *Stockbridge* had been to *Albany* for Stores; and was now on his Return with a Number of Waggons near the Fort: He sent a few Men this Morning to mend the Way, and give Notice to the Fort that they were a coming: when they had got within fifty or sixty Rods of the Fort, they saw the Enemy creeping towards the Fort: They fired upon them, which made them discover themselves, and fire at our Men who were on the Guard, and at Work; and pursue those who were coming from Major *Williams:* Our Men fired from the Fort, and pursued them at some distance from the Fort; 'till the Enemy seemed to aim to get between them and the Fort, and then they retreated. The Enemy kill'd *one Stockbridge Indian*, and wounded *three* more of our Men, who are since recovered. What Mischief was done upon them is uncertain.— But we have the following Account by the Way of the *Indians*— The Enemy discovered our Men when they went over, and immediately carried News to *Canada:* They sent out an Army of *Six Hundred:* when they came near to *Hoosuck*, finding Part of our Men were gone to *Albany*, *three Hundred* went to Way-lay them; but falling in the Rear supposed, by the Waggons and Signs of Men, there was a great Army gone from Albany, they therefore sent away a Post to them at the Fort, to give them Information: Who coming in the Time of the Engagement, was the Cause of their drawing off as they did; and that they lost *Ten* in the Engagement.

July 15. About *thirty* or *forty Indians* came to *Fall-Town,* and shot upon *Eliakim Sheldon* as he was hoeing Corn in the Field: he escaped to the Fort, but died the Night after.

August. A Party of *Indians* went to *Ashuelot,* and kill'd three Cattle: Our Men went out after them, shot at them, and they at our Men, but no Mischief was done them.

August 26. A Party of the Enemy came to a *Village South-West* of *Northampton:* and kill'd and scalp'd *Noah Clark* as he was thrashing in his Barn.

October 1. *Peter Boovee,* a Soldier at *Hoosuck,* or *Massachusetts Fort,* went out a Hunting: A Party of the Enemy discovering him, took him Captive, and carried him to *Canada:* He is since returned.

October 16. As Major *Willard,* Captain *Alexander,* and others, were coming from *Ashuelot* to *Northfield;* in *Winchester* they met some Cattle running, as tho' pursued; Captain *Alexander* being foremost, saw a *French* Man in the Path coming towards him: When he saw our Men, he jumped out of the Path behind a Tree. Captain *Alexander* shot at him, and shot him in the Breast: The *French* Man came up to him, saluted him handsomely; but he soon grew faint, and as our Men supposed, was dying: They being afraid the *Indians* were near, made haste and left him: After our Men were gone, the *Indians* came to him, and he revived; they carried him some Way; but fearing the *English* would pursue them, left him; and a few Days after he came into *Northfield,* and resigned himself Prisoner to Captain *Alexander.* After he was healed of his Wound, he was carried to *Boston;* where he was kindly entertained. And in the Month of *February* following was conducted back to *Canada;* and has been since out with the *Indians,* and done Mischief on our Frontiers.

October 19. As *John Smead,* who was taken at *Fort Massachusetts,* and had just returned from *Canada,* was travelling from *Northfield* to *Sunderland,* was Way-laid by a small Party of *Indians,* and kill'd and scalp'd.

October 22. About *forty* of the Enemy came to a Place called *Bridgmans-Fort,* and took one *Jonathan Sartle,* as he was going from Col. *Hinsdel's*-Fort into the Woods. After which they burnt Capt. *Bridgmans*-Fort, House and Barn.

November 14. As twelve of our Men were drawing off from *Number Four* a considerable Party of the Enemy Way-laid them within half a Mile of the Garrison; shot upon them, kill'd and scalp'd *Nathaniel Goold* and *Thomas Goodale: Oliver Avery* was wounded, *John Henderson* was taken Captive. It is observable, that the Night before, this *Goodale,* when he met with some Difficulty to obtain Liberty of his Officer to come off, said " he would come notwithstanding all the Powers above & below.

March 15. The Snow being very deep, and our Men not fearing a Small Party of Sculking *Indians,* about *eight* of our Men went out about 60 Rods

Distance from Number *Four* to get Wood: The Enemy about *ten* in Number come within 30 Rods of the Fort; run to meet our Men, fired upon them, killed *Charles Stevens*, wounded one *Andreas*, and took *Eleazer Priest* Captive. Our Men not having *Snow Shoes* could not run out of the Path and make their Escape: Nor had the Men in the Garrison *Snow Shoes* to pursue them, which the Enemy were informed of by the *French* Prisoner the Month before: For some of the Garrison told him as he went along, "they would gladly accompany him Part of the Way, but they had neither *Indian Shoes* nor *Snow Shoes*." Thus poorly have our Garrisons been stored; whilst many Hundred Pair of *Snow Shoes* lie on Spoil some where or other, which the Province have paid for.

1748.

March 29. About *twelve* or *fifteen Indians* Way-laid the Scout-Path from *Fort Dummer* to *Colerain:* Lieutenant *Sergeant* and *four* more went out in this Path to get some Timber for Oars and Paddles: About a Mile from *Fort Dummer* they were fired upon; *Moses Cooper* was mortally Wounded the first Shot, and made his Escape to the Fort as fast as he could; he died the next Night: Lieutenant *Sergeant*, *his Son* and *Joshua Wells* engaged the Enemy, fighting on a Retreat; *Wells* was soon killed; *Sergeant* encouraged his Son; said they should have Help from the Fort; They charged many Times: *Sergeant* shouted as often as the Enemy did, and called upon them to come out and fight boldly. These *two* fought on a Retreat half a Mile; but Lieutenant *Sergeant* was killed, and *his Son* taken: They could not have any Help from the Fort; there being but a few Men there, and some of them sick with the Measels, and others not having *Snow Shoes* in Readiness, could not go on the Snow.

April 16. One *Badcock* was taken at *Paquoig* as he was at Work in his Field.

May 8. About *twelve Indians* lay in Ambush near an House at *South Hampton*, and killed one *Noah Pixley*.

May 21. About *thirty Indians* lay in Ambush near *Fort-Massachusetts*, to take our Men as they should come out towards *Deerfield*. Serjeant *Elisha Chapin* going out from *Deerfield*, with a Number of our Men, went silently along the Road, and came within a few Rods of them. One of the Enemy standing up looking towards the Fort discovered them: *Chapin* suspecting they might be *Stockbridge Indians* called to them: Upon which the Ambush jump'd up and ran: *Chapin* and *one* or *two* more next to him fired at them and killed *one* of them, and got his Scalp: They left a Gun, the most of their Blankets, and many other Things.

May 25. Capt. *Melvin* with *eighteen* Men, who went out after the Enemy, came to the *Lake* a little South of *Crown-Point;* saw two Canoes about 50 or 60 Rods from the Shore, going to *Crown-Point* (these doubtless were the *Indians* who were drove from *Hoosuck* the Week before). Capt. *Melvin* and his Company shot 50 or 60 Guns: The *Indians* made a great Lamentation whilst they were shooting at them: *Crown Point* immediately took the Alarm; fired their Cannon: And that Night our Men perceived the Enemy had got before them in their Way Home. Capt. *Melvin* took a contrary course, whei he come across their Track, so that he escap'd them, 'till he came on *West-River* on the 31st of *May;* they laid an Ambush on the Bank of the River, where they were satisfied Capt. *Melvin* would come between them and the River; Providence so ordered it that Capt. *Melvin* stop'd within a few Rods of the Muzzles of the Enemies Guns; they fired on him: Our Men jump'd up the Bank, and fired at them; some of our Men that were in the Rear made up the River; our Men fired some Time at them, and suppose they killed several of the Enemy. *Six* of our Men were killed, viz. *Joseph Petty, John Howard, John Dod, Daniel Man, Isaac Taylor, & Samuel Severance.* Capt. *Melvin* and his Men came in, all but *Six,* at different Times at *Fort Dummer.* This was a Surprizing Stroke, and struck a great Damp into the Spirits of our Men who had Thoughts of going into their Country; when they found how far the *Indians* would pursue them to get an Advantage upon them.

June 16. A large Body of the Enemy Way-laid the Road between Col. *Hinsdell's Fort* and *Fort Dummer: Thirteen* of our Men going from Col. *Hinsdell's* to *Fort Dummer,* were shot upon; *three* were killed on the Spot. Some time after, the Bones of a Man were found where they lodged the first Night: *Joseph Richardson, Nathan French,* and *John Frost* were killed on the Spot. The Man that was kill'd where they Lodg'd the first Night is supposed to be *William Bickford;* the rest were taken Captive, except *three* who made their Escape in the Fight.

June 26. As Capt. *Humphrey Hobbs* was passing with a Scout of *forty* Men from Number *Four* to *Fort Shirley,* they were pursued by *One Hundred and fifty* of the Enemy: and West of *Fort Dummer,* as our Men stop'd to eat some Victuals, their Guards being out, and the Man set to watch their back Track discovered the Enemy, who gave the Alarm. There immediately began a very hot Fight: The Enemy rushed on very violently; but our Men stood their Ground and gave them a warm Reception: The Fight lasted *four Hours,* in which Time *three* Men were killed, viz. *Samuel Gunn, Ebenezer Mitchel & Ely Scot; & three* very dangerously wounded, viz. *Samuel Graves,* who was Shot in the Head, and Some of his Brains came out; *Daniel Mc Keney* had his Thigh broke; and *Nathan Walker* had his Arm broke and the Bullet lodged between the Bones of the Arm. *Ralph Ryce* was slightly Wounded: Capt. *Hobbs* shot the last Gun at the Enemy, and is supposed to have killed the *Chief Indian* who encouraged them in the Fight. After the Enemy were drawn off, Capt. *Hobbs* brought off his dead and wounded Men; came about half a Mile, and buried his Dead as well as he could in the dark: The next Day he bro't his Wounded into *Fort Dummer,* and the next Day to *Northfield.* The Enemy doubtless lost many; they went off without Shouting, and when some Captives saw them about a Week after, they looked very sorrowful. This was a very manly fight; and all will grant our Men quitted themselves like Men, who Need not to be ashamed.

July 3. A Number of *Indians* came to the *Upper-Ashuelot,* and kill'd eleven Cattle. About the same Time a *Fort* of ours was taken at *Lunenburg; two*

Soldiers were killed ; a Man and Woman and *five* Children were taken Captive, but are since returned.

July 14. The Enemy that fought with Capt. *Hobbs* having been as far as *West River*, and left Part of their Company, returned and Way-laid the Road between Col. *Hinsdell's-Fort* and *Fort-Dummer ;* and as *seventeen* Men were going to *Fort-Dummer*, were shot upon. Serjeant *Thomas Taylor* commanded the Men to fight them ; but the Enemy rushed upon them, killed *two Men* on the Spot, and wounded *two more* whom they carried about a Mile and killed. The Men killed were *Joseph Rose*, *Asael Graves*, —— *Billings*, and —— *Chandler : Nine* were taken Prisoners, viz. Serjeant *Thomas Taylor*, *Thomas Crisson*, *John Henry*, —— *Lawrence*, —— *Walker*, *Daniel How*, Jun. —— *Edghill*, *Daniel Farmer*, and *Ephraim Powers*. *Four* escaped ; *one* of whom was badly wounded, but is since recovered.

July 23, A small Party of the Enemy came to *Northfield*, and Way-laid the Town-Street; and as *Aaron Belden* was going from one Fort to another a little before Sun rise, they shot him down and scalp'd him ; and run off into the Woods before any Body was really apprized what was the Matter. *Thus bold and daring had the Enemy grown, before the Cessation of Arms.*

August 1. A Large Body of the Enemy came to *Fort-Massachusetts*, and laid an Ambush. The Dogs made a Rout, which made the Men sensible that the Enemy were there. Capt. *Williams* and the Officers were consulting how to go out, and come upon them in their Ambush ; but a few Soldiers ran out without Orders near where the Dogs barked : The Enemy arose some few of 'em and fir'd which caused the Captain and his Men to rush out; one of the Enemy call'd to the Captain to come along : Our Men went so far, that the Ambush arose partly behind them nearer the Fort : Our Men stood and fired several Times a piece without any Thing to shelter them from the Bullets, and retreated firing, to the Fort: In the Fight Lieutenant *Hawley* was shot thro' the Legg, *Ezekiel Wells* had his Thigh broke, but is almost recovered; one *Abbot* was shot thro' the Body, who died in a Day or two ; we have heard considerable Spoil was done upon the Enemy. A *Cessation of Arms* being heard of in *Canada*, put a stop to the Enemy's coming out.

REMARKS.

The following *Remarks* are easy and natural from the preceeding History.

1st. What a great Difference there is between our managing a War, and our Enemies: The most we do is to defend our selves at Home ; but they are for an offensive War. And it is true if they have any, they must have this ; for a defensive War they can have none with us: For not a Man of ours has seen a *French* Settlement all this War, except such as were carried Captive or went with a Flagg of Truce.

2ndly. It is a rare thing we can obtain an *Indian* Scalp, let us do what Spoil we will upon them ; so careful are they to carry off and conceal their Dead : For at *Fort Massachusetts*, where it is probable near *sixty* have been killed, never have been found more than *three Scalps*, which shows us that our Men will not venture out after the Enemy on any Scalping Act whatsoever: Our Men will not venture their Lives and Service on such uncertain Encouragements; if they should be much greater than ever they have been. The like is demonstrated at Number *Four*, where they have killed so many of the Enemy, never a Scalp could be recovered.

3dly. We may observe, Of how much Importance the Enemy judge those *two Forts* at Number *Four* and *Hoosuck*, to be to us. Hence their repeated Endeavours to destroy them; which they would not do, were they not advantageous to us, and in their Way in coming upon us.—And it shows how much it must encourage our Enemies, for us to give up either of them.

4thly. We may observe, How safely the Enemy can draw off, when they have done Mischief. I think but *one* Instance has there been all this War of our pursuing, and overtaking the Enemy to do any Spoil on them, and there are many Reasons for it: One is, that no Body may move 'till an Account is sent to the *chief Colonel;* and then Men must be mustered, which takes so long a Time that there is no possibility of our taking them. Another Reason is, that we never have Men near, equipp'd to pursue them in the Woods; and when they have gone a few Miles in the Woods, they are discouraged and return Home.

5thly. It is observable, That the continual changing of Schemes renders all Measures for the War unsuccessful. Before any one single Scheme is tried, it is flung up, and nothing ever prosecuted to Advantage: There is scarce any one Scheme of more than *six Months* continuance.

6thly. We may observe, That when the Province have voted any Number of Men for a particular Service; by that Time the Commissary can furnish the Men with their Provisions, their Time is expired; and this was the Case the Summer past: It took the greater Part of the Summer to supply the Garrisons with Provisions; they were so scarce: And the *Soldiers* who were designed as Scouts towards *Crown-Point*, were a good Part of their Time employed in guarding Provisions to the *Forts.*

7thly. It is observable to all who know the State of these Frontiers, That there is not due Provision made to furnish Men out on any Occasion after the Enemy. There is neither *Bread* nor *Meat*, *Shoes*, *Blanketts*, &c., that a Number of Men may take on any sudden Occasion. They have their Bread to bake, their Meat to cook, and other Things to get; when they should be on their March: And so long as this is the Case, the Enemy never need fear our annoying of them when they have distressed us.

8thly. It is observable, That all this War we have never kept Men in the Woods towards *Crown-Point* to discover their large Bodies coming down upon us, and give Notice of an approaching Enemy: So that they come securely Week after Week upon us; yea, we have since found that the Enemy have camp'd *several Months* within *thirty* or *forty Miles* of *Fort-Dummer*.

9thly. Another Thing observable, Is the great *Temptation* Soldiers have to be *unfaithful* in the Service. For there is no Distinction made, as to their *Wages*, between a Soldier *posted* in an Old *Town*, one in a *Garrison*, and one *marching* in the Woods; who when he is in the Woods, wears out as many Clothes as his Wages will procure, besides all his Hardships and Sufferings. Soldiers therefore choose to Lodge in the Garrison; and think hard if they must be kept in the Woods, when others have as much Pay in *Old* Towns, who eat and lodge well.

10thly. *We* differ much from the *French* with Respect to the War. They will not give Men Commissions, 'till they have been out in the War and done some Spoil on their Enemies. If the like Method was practised with us; there would be fewer Commissions, and more it's probable would be done on the Enemy, in order to obtain them: But so long as no Regard is had to this in promoting of Men, we can't expect Men will exert themselves as they ought to do.

11thly. The Reader may observe, How much the People in the *Western-Frontiers*, must be distress'd by the War; and how falsely they judge, who think the War is an Advantage to them. Their Case is most distressing: The repeated Alarms take them off from their Business *Day after Day* for *forty* or *fifty* Miles together. And the Reader is to observe, that in the preceeding History there is no mention of great Numbers of Times of the Enemy being seen and shot at, both in the Night and Day Time; and of their setting open Gates, and turning Creatures into Fields to devour Crops. It was not the design of the Author to give you an Account of the People's Losses; but of the Mischief done: If any envy the Inhabitants in the Frontiers their Portion, they may come and take their Lot with them.

12thly. It ought to be observed, That great Injustice is done the *Inhabitants* in the *Frontiers* in *pressing* them out of their Business, into the Province Service, either to follow the Enemy or convoy Stores, and not rewarding them suitably. They are sent out Day after Day with their Horses, and have *not half* so much per Day as they must give a Man to labour for them in the mean Time.

Lastly, We may observe, That in this War, as we encreased *our* Number of Men in our *Forts* or *Scouts*, the Enemy have increased *their* Numbers; and the longer the War continued, the oftner they came, and the more bold they grew: Which shows us what we must expect, if the War breaks out a-new: Especially at this Time, when there is no Provision made for Men in our Frontiers."

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FAMILY

GENEALOGIES.

ABBREVIATIONS.

a., *aged.*
abt., *about.*
A. C., *Amherst College.*
Amh., *Amherst.*
b., *born.*
bapt., *baptized.*
B. C., *Bowdoin College.*
bef., *before.*
Ber., *Bernardston.*
Bratt., *Brattleboro, Vt.*
cap., *captured.*
ch., *child, children, or church.*
d., *died.*
dau., *daughter.*
D. C., *Dartmouth College.*
Dfd., *Deerfield.*
dis., *dismissed.*
fr., *from.*
Gfd., *Greenfield.*
Had., *Hadly.*
Hart., *Hartford, Conn.*
Hfd , *Hatfield.*
H. C., *Harvard College.*
Hins., *Hinsdale, N. H.*
M. or m., *married.*
Mont., *Montague.*
Nhn., *Northampton.*
Nfd., *Northfield.*
per., *perhaps.*
prob., *probably.*
pub., *published.*
res., *resides or resided.*
rem., *removed.*
Rev. sol. *revolutionary soldier.*
rep. *representative.*
s. *son.*
s. p., *without issue.*
Spfd., *Springfield.*
sett., *settler or settled.*
sol., *soldier.*
Sfd., *Suffield, Conn.*
Sund., *Sunderland.*
unm., *unmarried.*
Vern., *Vernon, Vt.*
War., *Warwick.*
W. C., *Williams College.*
Wfd., *Westfield.*
Weth., *Wethersfield, Conn.*
wid., *widow.*
Winch., *Winchester, N. H.*
Winds., *Windsor, Conn.*

FAMILY GENEALOGIES.

EXPLANATIONS.

In the record of families, the dates following the names of the children, are dates of birth unless otherwise designated; the figures in brackets which follow these dates, refer to the margin, and indicate the place where the child appears as the head of a family, and no child is again referred to, unless such figures follow the record of its birth.

The date after the names of persons having no families, and transient residents, is that of the year in which they are first found in Northfield.

Between January 1st and March 25th, double dates are copied, whenever they occur.

ABBOT, Samuel, 1773.

1. ALEXANDER, John, from Scotland to Winds., bef. 1644, bringing sons, George (2), John, and Thomas. [*Family tradition.*]

2. George, s. of John (1), b. in Scotland; rem. fr. Winds. to Nhn., 1655; an Engager, and settler, in Nfd., 1673; d. May 5, 1703.

He m. March 18, 1644, Susanna, who d. May, 1684.

Ch.: John, July 25, 1645 (3).
Abigail, m. June 16, 1663, Thomas Webster.
Child, d. 1647.
Mary, Oct. 20, 1648, m. Sept. 23, 1670, Micah Mudge.
Daniel, Jan. 12, 1650, set. in Sfd. where he d. abt. 1684.
Nathaniel, Dec. 29, 1652 (4).
Sarah, Dec. 8, 1654, m. July 6, 1678, Samuel Curtis of Nhn.
Child, Nov. 4, 1656, d. same day.

3. John, s. of George (2), b. 1645: an Engager, and settler in Nfd. 1673: he ret. to Nhn. where he d. Dec. 31, 1733.

He m. Nov. 18, 1671, Sarah, dau. Samuel Gaylord of Winds. She d. Nov. 3, 1732, a. 81.

Ch.: John, Jan. 24, 1673, d. s. p. Jan. 24, 1748-9.
Nathaniel, Apr. 6, 1676, m. Dec. 3, 1707, Abigail Searle. He d. Nov. 28, 1725.
Samuel, Nov. 6, 1678, d. s. p. 1763.
Joseph, Oct. 16, 1681 (5).
Ebenezer, Oct. 17, 1684 (6).
Elizabeth, d. Jan. 8, 1701.
Sarah, Feb. 7, 1688; m. June 26, 1716, Eleazer Holton.
Thankful, March 29, 1691, m. Jan. 2, 1734-5, Gideon Hale, of Arlington, N. H., and Nhn.
Elizabeth, Oct. 5, 1694, m. Nov. 15, 1733, John Summers of Arlington, and Nhn.

4. Nathaniel, s. of George (2), b. 1652; at Nfd. in the Second and Third Settlements; was under Capt. Turner, at the Falls Fight, May 19, 1676, and one of the few who lived to receive a share in the township granted by

the Gen. Court in 1737 to "the survivors of the fight, and the heirs of those who have died." He rem. late in life, to Had., where he d. Oct. 29, 1742.

He m. June 20, 1679, Hannah, dau. Samuel Allen, of Nhn.

Ch. : Hannah, Oct. —, d. Oct. 27, 1680.
Hannah, Sept. 26, 1681, m. May 10, 1703, Samuel Boltwood, of Had.
Mindwell, m. Feb. 11, 1706–7, Daniel Porter.
Sarah, m. Nov. 10, 1715, Joseph Smith, of Had.
Abigail, m. July 24, 1718, Jonathan Smith, of Had.
Ruth, Feb. 22, 1691.
Thankful, Jan. 9, 1693–4.
Thomas, April 9, 1696, drowned April 24, 1725 "a little below the mouth of Miller's river," while on the return from a scout to the lakes.
Daniel, Jan. 14, 1699, d. Jan. 15, 1701–2.

5. Joseph, s. of John (3), b. 1681; rem. fr. Dfd. to Nfd. about 1716; was of Winch. 1737–43; Nfd. again, 1748–58, about which time he rem. to Had., where he d. Sept. 30, 1761. He was a sol., and cap. at the sacking of Dfd. Feb. 29, 1704; but made his escape the first night. He was allowed by the Gen. Court 4£ 14*s*. for his losses in this affair.

He m. May 28, 1705, Margaret, dau. Philip Mattoon.

Ch. : John, 1706 (7).
Joseph, 1709 (8).
Philip, Sept. 29, 1712 (9).
Aaron, Feb. 12, 1714.
Rachel, Oct. 14, 1715.
Elizabeth, Feb. 8, 1717.
Thankful, Oct. 11, 1719, m. 1753, Joseph Hawley, of Amh. his (2d) wife.
Experience, Feb. 3, 1721.
Amos, April 5, 1724.

6. Ebenezer, s. of John (3), b. 1684; came to Nfd. fr. Weth., early under the Third Settlement. He filled many important offices in town and was dea. of the church 40 years. He saw much service in Ralle's war, serving as ens. under Capt. Thomas Wells, and as lieut. under the famous Capt. Benj. Wright. March 9, 1744–5, he was commissioned lieut., in the expedition against Cape Breton; was at the capture of Louisburg, June 17, where Sir William Pepperrell gave him a capt's commission July 13. In 1746, he served under Gov. Shirley in the expedition for the reduction of Canada. In 1748, altho' then 64 yrs. old, he was leader of a company ranging the woods in search of Indians. For account of other services, see his petition below.

To his Excellency Gov. Shirley.

The petition of Ebenezer Alexander, shoes that he ever since the taking of Deerfield, in Queens Anne's war, has been in the service of the Province, in that, and all the wars since to this time; that he was an officer at the reduction of Cape Breton, where he had the good fortune to take a French captive:

That in October last, between Northfield, and Ashuelot, he had the good fortune to wound a French officer, who came out with, and headed a party of Indians from Canada, and were designed to fall on our frontiers; but by reason of said French officer being wounded, and afterwards surrendering himself, this design was somewhat prevented, for they did not appear there afterwards. [See *ante*, page 253.]

That in all the services aforesaid, he has endeavored to the utmost of his power to serve faithfully and he hopes to satisfaction.

That he has never received any gratuity, saving his wages; he prays your Excellency's just consideration of the premises, and that you would be pleased to make him such grant as in your wisdom you shall think proper.

Ebenezer Alexander.

Oct. 3, 1747.

Oct. 4, 1747, ordered that the said E. Alexander be allowed 25£ out of the public treasury.

Wm. Shirley.

He d. Jan. 22, 1768.

He m. Oct. 10, 1709, Mehitable, dau. Henry Buck, of Weth. She d. March 6, 1767, a. 83, after a union of 57 years.

Ch.: Elias, July 25, 1710 (10).
Ebenezer, abt. 1715 (11).
Anna, 1720, m. Sept. 20, 1738, Samuel Taylor.
Simeon, May 26, 1722 (12).
Thomas, May 30, 1727 (13).

7. **John**, s. of Joseph (5), b. 1706; tailor; sol. under Capt. Kellogg at Fort Dummer many years, to which place he removed his family 1733, and later to Fort Hinsdale, where he was killed by the Indians, July 22, 1755. Wife unknown.

Ch.: John, born at Ft. Dummer; one of the earliest settlers of Bratt.
Joel, 1741, a soldier in 1759.

8. **Joseph**, s. of Joseph (5), b. 1709; was a soldier at Fort Dummer for many years; settled at Arlington, N. H., before 1737, but probably served through the French and Indian wars to the conquest of Canada. He rem. to Hadley between 1743 and 1748; alive 1775.

He m. 1736, Mary Mighills; and (2), Experience; who d. in Whately, Jan. 27, 1799, a. 72.

Ch.: Mighills, Sept. 6, 1737; (called Miles); set. in Sund.; Rev. sol.
Rachel, 1739, d. Sept. 8, 1740.
Joel, 1740. Sol. from E. Had., 1757.
Rachel, March 18, 1741-2, d. Oct. 6, 1775.
Mary, May 22, 1743, prob. m. David Smith, of Mont. [*H. W. Taft.*]
Aaron, May 13, 1748.
Joseph, Apr. 19, 1750 (14).
Experience, Feb. 5, 1753.
Eunice, Aug. 25, 1757.
Thankful, Jan. 6, 1761.
Eliakim, Dec. 12, 1766.

9. **Philip**, s. of Joseph (5), b. 1712; of Winch. 1743; rem. to Westmoreland, N. H., 1755, and thence to Putney, Vt., where his son Aaron was born, who is said to have been the first white child born in that town.

He m. Abigail.

Ch.: Abigail, Jan. 10, 1744.
Aaron, April 6, 1746.
Rhoda, " 18, 1747.
Lucy, March 11, 1749.
Susanna, bapt. Feb. 3, 1751.
Philip, Oct. 26, 1755.

10. **Elias**, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1710; blacksmith; rem. to Arlington, N. H. about 1736; was at Fort Dummer, 1730; saw much active service in the frontier wars; as lieut., was in the expedition to Nova Scotia in 1755, when Acadie was taken and the inhabitants transported to the English colonies. [See his letter *ante*, page 289.]

He m. Ruth.

Ch.: Elijah, Feb. 10, 1733 (15).
Elisha, Jan. 25, 1735, d. March 6, 1751.
Joel.
Elias, 1739, soldier in the French wars.
Seth, abt. 1746 (16).

11. **Ebenezer**, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. abt. 1715, dea.; settled in Arlington, afterwards Winchester, N. H., abt. 1737; d. July 29, 1788.

He m. Abigail Rockwood.

Ch.: Abigail, July 30, 1738, d. Dec. 23, 1739.
Reuben, Feb. 17, 1739-40 (17).
Asa, Oct. 17, 1742 (18).
Abigail, Aug. 30, 1745, m. Henry Foster, of Winch.
John, bapt. at Fort Dummer, Aug. 24, 1748 ...... (19).
Anne, July 12, 1753, m. Oct. 15, 1770, Dr. Theodore Watkins, of Winch.

12. Simeon, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1722; a mechanic; lieut.; d. Feb. 19, 1801.

He m. Sarah, dau. Nehemiah Howe, who d. April 26, 1788, a. 63. (2), bef. May, 1792, Mehitable Sheldon.

Ch.: Mehitable, May 22, 1745, m. March 9, 1770, Ebenezer Janes.
Martha, Jan. 3, 1746-7, d. Nov. 23, or 26, 1761.
Sarah, July 20, 1750, m. May 12, 1770, Samuel Holton.
Elisha, Dec. 8, 1752 (20).
Caleb, July, 1755 (21).
Simeon, April 8, 1757 (22).
Isabella, April 2, 1759, m. Oct. 27, 1790, Lt. Saml. Patrick, Windsor, Vt.
Freedom, Feb. 12, 1761, m. Nov. 27, 1782, Joseph Clarke.
Joel, Nov. 1, 1762, d. Dec., 1766.
Eliphaz, March 8, 1764 (23).
Martha, April 29, 1766.
Hannah, March 29, 1768, m. Feb. 8, 1795, Bethial Cross, Orford, N. H.

13. Thomas, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1727, capt.; dep. sheriff. For many years a leading man in town affairs, holding many offices of trust and honor. March 28, 1758, he was authorized to beat his drum for volunteers in the Canada expedition, in which he served as ensign. For a journal of his march see *ante*, p. 303. His petition below gives an account of honorable service in the revolution.

"Petition of Capt. Thos. Alexander, to Gen. Court, etc., assembled May 27, 1778.

The Pet. of Thos. Alex., of Nfd., state of Mass. Bay.

Whereas, your pet'r marched with a Co., under his command in Col. Porter's Reg., about March 6, 1776, and after a very long and tedious march, arrived at Quebec about the last of April, and in a short time after, the army was obliged to retreat from Q. in wh. retreat your petr. as well as the rest of the army passed thro. unparalleled scenes of danger, hardships, and distress and arr'd at Ticonderoga about the 1st of July, where he with his Co. continued until Nov. 18, when he with those of his company who survived and were able marched for Albany, and from thence to New Jersey and joined Gen. Washington's army the beginning of Dec. where they continued until the last of Dec. when the time came which they were engaged expired, but by the request of the inhabitants they were desired by the General to stay 15 days longer and they in compassion to the people, consented to stay that term of time, at the expiration of which, they were discharged, and your petr. on his return homeward near Peekskill met with an unhappy fall upon the ice, whereby one of his hips was greatly hurt, and the bone dislocated, which confined him there some time and occasioned very extreme pain and much cost to get home, and since his return has been at considerable charge in applying to surgeons for relief of his lameness by means of said fall; but yet remains very much of a cripple, and fears he ever shall.

Therefore your petr. most humbly prays that your honors would consider his circumstances, and graciously grant unto him what you in your wisdom shall judge reasonable and equitable for the damage he has sustained in serving his country, and in duty bound shall ever pray.

Your Honors most Humble Servant,

Thos. Alexander.

A pension was granted Sept. 23, 1779.

He d. March 23, 1801.

He m. Dec. 11, 1754, Azubah, dau. Azariah Wright. She d. Aug. 12, 1811, a. 75.

Ch.: Eldad, Oct. 2, 1755 (24).
Medad, July 15, 1757 (25).
Thomas, Aug. 27, 1759, d. unm. at an advanced age; rev. sol.
Quartus, June 10, 1761 (26).
Lavina, Dec. 27, 1762, m. Moses Root, Linden, Vt.
Silvia, Nov. 16, 1764, m, Dr. Gideon Ryther, Bernardston.
Lydia, Sept. 21, 1766, m. Feb. 14, 1788, Asahel King, of Sharon, Vt.
George, June 2, 1768, d. June 7, 1768.
George, May 26, 1769, clothier, sett. in Ber., m. Feb. 14, 1795, Sophronia, dau. of Polycarpus Cushman, of that town, she d. Aug. 3, 1814, a. 38, (2d) m. Apr. 13, 1815, Mary Lyman. He d. Oct. 12, 1829.

Francis, Feb. 23, 1772, d. April 14, 1772.
Francis, Mch. 20, 1774, d. May 1, 1774.
Consider, Aug. 15, 1776, pub. to Lydia Allen, Feb. 15, 1799, then of Hins., but rem. to Hartland, Vt.
Azubah, Sept. 5, 1778, d. young.

14. **Joseph**, s. of Joseph (8), b. 1750, sett. in Whately late in life, where he m. a second time and died.

He m. Sarah. (2), March 7, 1795, Hannah Wait.

Ch. : Experience, July 31, 1775.
Josiah, March 8, 1779, d. Dec. 1779.
Lydia, " 3, 1781, d. Sept. 30, 1781.
Thankful, Dec. 30, 1783.
Polly, bapt. Apr. 9, 1786, d. Dec. 1, 1786.
Elizabeth, Jan. 11, 1794, prob. m. Joel Kellogg.
Luther, Apr. 8, 1797.
Calvin.

15. **Elijah**, s. of Elias (10), b. 1733, lieut.; sett. in Winch. In the Nova Scotia Exp'n, 1755, d. Sept. 9, 1774.

He m. Nov. 1, 1767, Susannah Trowbridge, of Winch. She d. Nov. 17, 1797.

Ch. : Elizabeth, Jan. 27, 1769, m. July 16, 1788, Samuel Warren.
Susanna, June 28, 1771, m. July 22, 1792, John Knapp,
Elijah, 1774, d. 1776.

16. **Seth**, s. of Elias (10), b. abt, 1746, ens.; Winch.; d. Dec. 10, 1780.

He m. June 19, 1768, Hannah Oaks.

Ch. : Hannah, Sept. 25, 1769, m. March 14, 1789, James Foster of Winch.
Seth, 1770, d. Oct. 1776.
Elias, July 24, 1771, d. young,
Gratia, " 4, 1773, m. 1795, Ephraim Hawkins.
Elijah, Feb. 23, 1775.
Elias, Jan. 10, 1777.
Seth, March 31, 1779.
Content, May 10, 1781, m. 1779, Joseph Stowell, of Winch.

17. **Reuben**, s. of Ebenezer (11), b. 1740, col., sol. of '76. Rem. 1798 to St. Johnsbury, Vt.

He m. Sarah Foster.

Ch. : Caleb. May 19, 1765 (27).
Sarah, June 26, 1767, m. Jan. 16, 1791, Rev. Ezra Conant.
Miriam, Sept. 26, 1769, d. Nov. 5, 1769.
Reuben, Sept. 4, 1770 (28).
Edward, Dec. 21, 1772.
Foster, July 3, 1775, d. s. p. Aug. 2, 1841.
Luther, July 1, 1778 (29).
Elijah, Feb. 21, 1782 (30).
Infant, July 14, 1785.

18. **Asa**, s. of Ebenezer (11), b. 1742, sett. in Winch.; d. Nov. 4, 1811.

He m. Mary Bond, b. Nov. 13, 1742.

Ch. : Ebenezer, Apr. 24, 1765 (31).
Thaddeus, Nov. 15, 1766, sett. in Athens, Vt.
Mary, Nov. 9, 1768, m. 1805, Amasa Woolley; his 2d wife.
Lucretia, Jan. 11, 1771, m. 1795, Elisha Knapp; his 2d wife.
Asa, Jan. 15, 1773 (32).
John, Dec. 6, 1774 (33).
Amos, July 15, 1779, m. Oct. 5, 1809, Betsey L., dau. Timothy Swan. He sett. in Groton, No ch.
Anna, March 4, 1781, m. Rev. Ezra Conant; his 2d wife.
Solomon, Aug. 8, 1783, m. Thankful (called Gratia), dau. of John Alexander.

19. **John**, s. of Ebenezer (11), b. 1749, captain; d. Dec. 16, 1806.

He m. Oct. 7, 1771, Thankful, dau. Samuel Ashley. She d. July 16, 1815, a. 69.

Ch. : Abigail, Apr. 14, 1784, m. 1801, Asa Alexander (32).
Susanna, Oct. 25, 1785, m.   Witt, of Swansey, N. H.
Thankful, Apr. 19, 1788, m. 1806, Solomon Alexander.
John, } July 27, } killed by a falling tree, March 18, 1842.
Oliver, } 1790 } (34).

20. **Elisha**, s. of Simeon (12), b. 1752, major; blacksmith; Apr. 20, 1775, marched with the Nfd. Minute Men to Concord, under Capt. Williamson,[1] and thence to Waltham and Cambridge; in Sept. 1775, again volunteered, and was made orderly sergt.; in 1776, he marched in Capt. Samuel Merriman's co. to Ticonderoga; and served again in 1780. He was a man of note in the town; d. Oct. 22, 1843.

He m. Dec. 3, 1779, Sophia dau. Josiah Stebbins, who d. Jan. 31, 1800, a. 43. (2) Oct. 11, 1801. Sarah Doolittle. She d. Jan. 27, 1862, a. 89.

Ch.: Elijah, Sept. 9, 1780 (35).
Fanny, Aug. 3, 1782, d. unm. Sept. 14, 1866.
Sophia, Nov. 7, 1784, m. Oct. 23, 1803, Joseph Beach.
Elisha, Oct. 13, 1786, d. Dec. 22, 1791.
Josiah, March 15, 1789, d. June 16, 1790.
Josiah, Apr. 21, 1791 (36).
Sarah, Aug. 7, 1802, m. 1835, Daniel Lyman.
Son d. in infancy.
Elisha, Jan. 23, 1807, dep. sheriff and co. com. many years; m. 1830, Cynthia Whithead; (2d) Apr. 12, 1872, Ada M. Dutton.
Martha, July 30, 1811, m. 1842, Enoch Merrill, of Waterville, Me.
Mary, Dec. 29, 1817, m. 1836, Joseph Pearsons, of Waterville, Me.

21. **Caleb**, s. of Simeon (12), b. 1755. Minister and author; grad. Y. C., 1777. Sett. in ministry at New Marlboro, 1781–2; of Mendon, 1786–1802. He published Latin and Eng. grammars; "Grammatical Elements;" "Essay on the Deity of Christ," 1796; a translation of Virgil into English prose, 1796; "Columbian Dictionary," 1800; an arithmetic, 1802; and "Young Ladies' and Gentlemen's Instructor." Had charge of an academy at Onondaga, N. Y., where he d. April 12, 1828.

He m. Lucina, dau. Rev. Thomas Strong, of New Marlboro. She d. Nov. 24, 1847, a. 91.

Ch.: Laura, m. Rev. Dr. D. C. Lansing, Brooklyn, N. Y.
William H., of Syracuse, N. Y., and 5 others.

22. **Simeon**, s. of Simeon (12), b. 1757; blacksmith; lieut.; rev. sol.; June, 1775, was present at the surrender of Burgoyne; d. July 24, 1849.

He m. March 3, 1780, Jerusha, dau. Hezekiah Stratton. She d. Dce. 1, 1813, a. 53.

Ch.: Samuel, Feb. 25, 1781, d. Nov. 17, same year.
Eunice, Feb. 1, 1783, m. Oct. 23, 1803, Roswell Field.
Jerusha, Feb. 19, 1785, m. Feb. 6, 1805, Medad Pomeroy.
Samuel, June 1, 1787 (37).
Sarah, Nov, 14, 1789, d. Nov. 1, 1812.
Abigail, March 22, 1792, d. Sept. 15, 1815.
Gratia, Aug. 3, 1797, d. Nov. 24, 1813.

23. **Eliphas**, s. of Simeon (12), b. 1764, rem. to Bratt., and about 1797 to Gill.

He m. Aseneth ———, of Bratt.

Ch.: Laura, July 4, 1792.
Almira, March 1, 1794.
Amanda, Nov. 26, 1795.
Marina, July 12, 1797.
Eliphaz, Apr. 17, 1799.

24. **Eldad**, s. of Thomas (13), b. 1755, Dr.; April 20, 1775, he marched with the Nfd. Minute Men to Concord and a few weeks after enlisted into the co. of Capt. Samuel Smith, of Hadley, and marched to Cambridge. July, 1776, marched under Capt. Samuel Merriman to Ticonderoga, to join the army under Gen. Gates. He rem. to Hartland, Vt., about 1790, where he d. Dec. 24, 1829.

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[1] Other officers were Lt. Eldad Wright and Ens. Elihu Lyman. Wright was soon made capt. and Lyman transferred to the co. of Capt. Smith, of Hadley.

He m. Feb. 18, 1783, Mary, dau. Hezekiah Stratton. She was alive in Woodstock, Vt., 1848.

Ch.: Polly, Feb. 4, 1786, m. Samuel Taylor of Hartland.
Azubah, Jany. 2, 1788, m. —— Hubbard of Windsor, Vt.
George.
Elijah, a Dr.; d. in New Orleans.
Thirza, m. Dr. Dinsmore, of Lancaster, N.H.
Hezekiah S., 1797, of Hartland, 1838.
Eldad, May 22, 1798.
Susan, d. unm. Order of birth uncertain.

25. Medad, s. of Thomas (13), b. 1757, col. 3d Reg. 4th Div. Mass. Militia; rep. to Mass. leg. 9 years; selectman 24 years, and long time dep. sheriff, and a prominent man in the county; d. Dec. 8, 1830.

He m. Feb. 8, 1780, Eunice, dau. Hez. Stratton. She d. Jan. 24, 1783. He m. (2) May 18, 1785, Lydia, dau. Samuel Merriman. She d. Nov. 21, 1841, a. 79.

Ch.: Phila, Feb. 20, 1781, m. Dec. 15, 1799, Isaiah Moody.
Lucius, Apr. 29, 1786, d. June 21, 1804.
Henry, Oct. 29, 1790 (38).
Medad, Feb. 18, 1793 (39).
Eunice Stratton, June 20, 1797, m. Apr. 8, 1821, Wm. Brooks.

26. Quartus, s. of Thomas (13), b. 1761; March 4, 1776, at the age of 15, he enlisted into the army as servant to his father, for one year; his co. two days later marched for Canada to relieve the army before Quebec, thence to Ticonderoga, and after a few months, to N. J., where the co. served under Washington. When his year of service expired, he enlisted into the N. J. Militia where he served one month. He settled in Hartland, Vt., where he d. Feb. 29, 1847.

He m. — Taylor; m. (2), Jan. 19, 1797, Mary Sergeant, sister to Abraham, of Chester, Vt.

Ch.: Lydia, July 26, 1799.
Consider, Oct. 31, 1800.
Thomas, June 24, 1802.
Susanna, Dec. 16, 1803.
Eliza, Oct. 14, 1805.

27. Caleb, s. of Reuben (17), b. 1765, sett. in Winch.; d. April 8, 1839.

He m. 1794, Harriet Lock, of Templeton. She d. Sept. 2, 1807. (2), 1809, Mary Wood, of Winch.

Ch.: Gardner, Nov. 1, 1794, d. Sept. 6, 1796.
Harriet L., Apr. 27, 1797, m. John Butler of Winchester.
Louisa, Sept. 7, 1799, d. Oct. 19, 1799.
Emily, Oct. 11, 1800, m. Samuel Ripley, Winch.
Timothy, Feb. 26, 1803, d. June 2, 1803.

28. Reuben, s. of Reuben (17), b. 1770, Winch.; d. Aug. 3, 1809.

He m. 1793, Hannah Pratt.

Ch.: Sally, Feb. 13, 1794.
Sophronia, Nov. 27, 1795, m. Patterson.
Almira, Nov. 4, 1797, m. 1819, Truman Watkins.
Caroline, Apr. 22, 1800, m. William Perham.
Lemuel H., Apr. 2, 1802, sett. in Phila., Penn.
Edward, March 24, 1804, d. in North Carolina.
Louisa, May 22, 1806.

29. Luther, s. of Reuben (17), b. 1778, Winch.; d. Aug. 1821.

He m. May 12, 1805, Eunice Ripley, of Rochester. She d. Dec. 4, 1869, a. 86.

Ch.: George, Feb. 26, 1806, d. young.
Sarah, March 5, 1808, d. Apr. 4, 1810.
Edward, Sept. 6, 1814, m. Oct. 9, 1839, Lucy M. Capon.
Luther, Jan. 31, 1819, d. May 4, 1829.

30. Elijah, s. of Reuben (17), b. 1782, Winch.; d. May 13, 1860.
He m. 1812, Mrs. Sally Viol, *nee* Holden, of Sudbury.

Ch.: Reuben, Oct. 14, 1813.
Mary A., July 13, 1815, m. Oct. 23, 1844, John Giles.
Mariah, July 4, 1817, d. July 8, 1819.
William, " 28, 1819, sett. in N. York.
Emeline M., March 24, 1821, d. unm.
Fanny H., Feb. 3, 1823, m. Sept. 6, 1849, Converse J. Stone.
Sarah P., Jan. 23, 1825, m. Dec. 27, 1847, Wm. J. Daws.
George, Dec. 13, 1826, d. in the late slave holders' war.
Leander L., Oct. 2, 1828, sett. in California.
Lambert P., March 2, 1831, d. s. p.; *non compos.*
Ellen L., July 7, 1833.
Jane A., Feb. 8, 1836, d. unm.

31. Ebenezer, s. of Asa (18), b. 1765, Winch.
He m. June 3, 1788, Rhoda Scott.

Ch.: Eusebia P., Dec. 28, 1788.
Emery, Nov. 9, 1790.
Mercy.
Oliver B., May 24, 1795.
Henry F., Oct. 24, 1797, d. Dec. 17, 1852.
Mary B., Jan. 24, 1800, m. David Granger, fath. of Col. Brownell Granger of Boston.
Ebenezer, Sept. 14, 1802, d. Feb. 7, 1835.
Chloe, abt. 1804.
Willard H., Sept. 14, 1805.
Octavia, Dec. 2, 1808.
Merab A., July 14, 1811.

32. Asa, s. of Asa (18), b 1773, Winch.; d. March 25, 1849.
He m. 1801, Abigail, dau. John Alexander; d. Nov. 3, 1837, a. 53.

Ch.: Horace, March 5, 1803, d. of small pox.
Eunice, Dec. 1, 1804, m. Benjamin B. Murdock, of Winch. and Nfd.
John Locke, Dec. 21, 1806, Dr.; res. in Boston; m. Mrs. Rebecca (Perry) Whitney.
Charles, March 8, 1810, d. Nov. 1838, at Havanna, Cuba.
Francis, Feb. 8, 1812, m. Eugenia Fay.
Harriet L., Feb. 16, 1814, m. Samuel W. Richardson.
Albert, Feb. 13, 1817, d. of bleeding at the nose.
Amos, Dec. 5, 1819.
Sarah A., Feb. 28, 1822.
Henry, March 24, 1824.
Esther M., July 1, 1827, m. Nelson Tyler, Spfd.

33. John, s. of Asa (18), b. 1747, of Winch.; d. May 20, 1842.
He m. 1800, Polly Pratt, who d. July 30, 1852, a. 77.

Ch.: Emily, Feb. 12, 1801, m. Pliny Jewell, of Winch., fath. of Marshall, gov. of Conn., and Harvey, of Boston, speaker of House of Rep.
Clarissa, Feb. 7, 1803, m. Henry A. Knapp,
Olivia, Feb. 9, 1805, d. unm. Aug. 15, 1841.
Isaac P., Aug., 1, 1807, sett. in Davenport, Iowa, d. Apr. 21, 1862.
Mercy, Nov. 10, 1810, d. in Fairhaven, Ct., Nov. 8, 1856.
Charlotte A., Nov. 20, 1818, m. Dec. 8, 1847, Alfred Wells.

34. Oliver, s. of John (19), b. 1790, d. March 1856.
He m. Frenda Follet, b. July 14, 1799.

Ch.: James, May 30, 1822.
Marshall, Nov. 12, 1823, m. Sept. 19, 1852, Adeline Bently.
Andrew, May 25, 1825, m. Mary E. Silliman.
Helen, Feb. 26, 1827, m. Oct. 7, 1851, Joel H. Goddard, of the *Barn Gazette.*

35. Elijah, s. of Elisha (20), b. 1780, major; blacksmith; d. Apr. 7, 1854.
He m. Jan. 31, 1804, Polly, dau of Abner Field, who d. May. 21, 1848.

Ch.: Harriet, Dec. 31, 1806, m. Charles Field.
George, May 8, 1808, m. April 30, 1834, Eliza Colton.
Charles, June 17, 1800, m. Amanda Colton.
Elijah, April 12, 1812, went South.
Arad, Feb. 14, 1814, m. Adelpha, dau. Pliny Davis. (2), Mary Thompson.
Sally E., Aug. 23, 1815, m. Hopkins Wood, of Green.
Sophia, Nov. 17, 1817, m. Noah Moody.
Fanny, May 30, 1820, m. Chauncey Merriam.
Elizabeth, Oct. 31, 1823, m. Elijah Howe, Worcester.
Isabella P., March 18, 1826, d. Aug. 16, 1831.

36. **Josiah**, son of Elisha (20), b. 1791, d. Dec. 22, 1862.
He m. Dec. 11, 1816, Mira, dau. Caleb Lyman.

Ch.: Catherine S., Feb. 26, 1818, m. Nov. 13, 1839, Moses Field.
Francis, May 29, 1821, sett. in Ill.
Edward, March 30, 1823, d. s. p. Sept. 7, 1865.
Josiah, June 6, 1825, m. Lucy Valentine.
William D., Feb. 11, 1827, m. Lizzie Severance.
Emily, June 18, 1829, d. young.

37. **Samuel**, s. of Simon (22), b. 1787, blacksmith.
He m. Elvira, dau. of Theodore Field, who d. July 2, 1859.

Ch.: George F., Sept. 12, 1815.
Samuel, April 18, 1818.
Caleb, July 17, 1820.
Gratia, April 10, 1824, d. April 13, 1824.
William P., May 10, 1830, d. Jan. 28, 1831.
William P., Feb. 14, 1832, d. April 9, 1835.

38. **Henry**, s. of Medad (25), b. 1790, captain; alive 1875.
He m. Nancy Bemis of Royalston, who d. Feb. 7, 1860.

Ch.: Catherine T., June 30, 1812, m. Feb. 10, 1847, Noah Elwell.
Azubah Wright, Sept. 6, 1813.
Jerusha B., Jan. 1, 1817, m. Dec. 2, 1842, George Mason; she d. June 17, 1869.
Henry, Sept. 9, 1818, m. Nov. 7, 1847, Amelia Bowles, dau. Dea. Saml. of Spfd.; res. in Spfd. banker, mayor, state senator, a useful and influential citizen.
Thomas, May 31, 1820, m. Dec. 21, 1848, Harriet, dau. Jona. Barber.
Jonas B., April 2, 1822, d. June 25, 1833.
Edwin M., March 4, 1824, m. Jan. 6, 1853, Helen Minot.
Anna P., Apr. 19, 1826.
Maria A., June 14, 1829, m. March 19, 1854, Rufus H. Minot.

39. **Medad**, s. of Medad (25), b. 1793, sett. in Mont.
He m. Sept. 28, 1817, Mehitable, dau. Xenophon Janes, d. Jan. 30, 1857, a. 60. (2) Lucinda Childs, of Dfd.

Ch.: Lucius, Oct. 19, 1818, d. Feb. 10, 1835.
Sarah P., Jan. 8, 1821, m. Daniel Wilder.
Angelina, Apr. 26, 1822, m. John Thompson.
Frederick J., July 23, 1826.
Lydia, April 16, 1829, m. Dwight Newbery.
Mary A., Nov. 21, 1832, m. James Mattoon.
Lucretia, Aug. 16, 1833, m. Martin Brown, Winch.
Lucius, Sept. 16, 1835.

1. **ALLEN, Edward.** By a tradition in the fam. he is said to have been a sol. under Cromwell, and came to this country upon the Restoration. He was of Ipswich 1670, was one of the committee for settling Suffield, Ct., for which service he rec'd from the town in 1678 a grant of 60 a. of land. Suffield was settled by a colony from Mass., under whose jurisdiction it remained until 1752. Prob. Allen was one of the first settlers. At his death, Nov. 22, 1696, he held an estate valued at £256.

He m. Sarah Kimball. She d. June 12, 1696.

Ch.: Order of birth uncertain. John, abt. 1660 (2).
Edward, May 1, 1663 (3).
Elizabeth, m. Nov. 15, 1683, William Prichard. She d. abt. 1685.
Sarah, m. Apr. 21, 1685, Edward Smith. She d. Oct. 18, 1699.
William, (4).
Martha, m. 1696, Samuel Kent, Jr. She d. bef. 1700 without issue.
Benjamin, (5).
David, m. Sarah —, rem. to N. J. abt. 1720, was of Hanover, N. J., 1723.
Samuel, 1679, m. Anna, rem. to N. J. bet. 1719 and '24, d. at Hanover, Nov. 28, 1730.
Abigail, m. Timothy Palmer, Jr., of Suffield.
Mary, April 9, 1683, d. at Dfd. Oct. 25, 1707.
Caleb, Mch. 31, 1685 (6).

2. JOHN, s. of Edward (1), b. 1660; granted 40 acres land, at Suffield, March 6, 1688, rem. to Dfd. at the second settlement, and lived at the south end of the street; but later rem. to the "Bars," where he and his wife were killed by Indians, May 11, 1704.

He m. Feb. 22, 1682, Elizabeth Prichard, of Suffield.

Ch.: John, Dec. 21, 1682, d. 1683.
John, Jan. 19, 1684 (7).
Richard, Sept. 19, 1685, d. June 8, 1696.
Elizabeth, Nov. 4, 1686, m. abt. 1705, Thomas Granger, Jr.
Sarah, Jan. 4, 1688, d. May 14, 1715.
Joseph, March 28, 1691.
Benjamin, April 8, 1693, of Sfd., 1719–23.
Ebenezer, Aug. 16, 1696.

3. EDWARD, s. of Edward (1), b. 1663, rem. to Dfd. abt. 1684, had a grant of a home lot, at the south end of the town plot; was many years clerk of the market, and town clerk, 1704–12; d. Feb. 10, 1740.

He m. Nov. 15, 1683, Mercy Painter.

Ch.: Elizabeth, March 14, 1686, d. Feb. 7, 1697.
Edward, March 11, 1687–8 (8).
Mercy, Feb. 3, 1689, m. April 8, 1708, Peter Evans, who sett. in Nfd.
Sarah, May 1, 1691. Taken cap. Feb. 29, 1704, and taken to Canada.
Martha, Nov. 6, 1694, m. Samuel Bardwell, of Dfd.
Jemima, Feb. 4, 1696–7, m. March 1, 1715, John Catlin, of Dfd.
Hannah, Feb. 12, 1698–9, m. July 25, 1735, John Stebbins, of Dfd., 2d wife.
Consider, May 3, 1701, d. May 26, 1701.
Samuel, April 6, 1702 (9).

4. WILLIAM, s. of Edward (1); of Sfd. 1707, d. Nov. 11, 1711.

He m. Dec. 29, 1692, Johanna Dibble, prob. dau. Samuel, of Simsbury, and b. 1672. She m. (2) bef. 1717, David Burt, of Nhn.

Ch.: William, July 28, 1694, m. June 15, 1727 Kesiah Taylor, was of Sfd., 1717–22.
Johanna, April 21, 1696.
Sarah, April 28, 1699.
Samuel, Oct. 8, 1701, sett. in Brimfield bef. 1722.
Ebenezer, June 7, 1704.
John, Feb. 24, 1706–7.
Hepzibah, March 14, 1710, d. April 5, 1711.
Ephraim, April 4, 1712. Posthumous.

5. BENJAMIN, s. of Edward (1); Sfd., 1717–24.

He m. Mercy.

Ch.: Joseph, 1701 (10).
Margaret, 1716, m. May 9, 1743, Eleazer Hawks, who was killed at the "Bars fight," Aug. 25, 1746. She m. (2) June 20, 1748, Moses Nims.

6. CALEB, s. of Edward (1), b. 1685; weaver; of Sfd., 1717–25, of Enfield, 1748–56; rem. to Nfd., where he d. Sept. 23, 1761.

He m. 1721, Hannah Eaton, of Haverhill, d. June 8, 1786, a. 88.

Ch.: Hannah, Feb. 6, 1722–3.
Tamer, Dec. 3, 1723, m. abt. 1752, Ebenezer Stratton, of Nfd.
Lydia, Aug. 16, 1726, m. abt. 1752, Eleazer Stratton, of Nfd.
James.
Edward.
Per. Benjamin, who, with wife Eunice, rem. from Nfd. to Charlestown, N. H., 1756.
Abigail, Jan. 29, 1732–3, m. March 29, 1768, Nehemiah Healy, of Winch.
Order of birth uncertain.

7. JOHN, s. of John (2), b. 1684, sett. in Gfd., d. Nov. 30, 1761.

He m. June 21, 1716, Abigail, dau. Ebenezer Severance, d. Dec. 17, 1770, a. 74.

Ch.: Abigail, May 27, 1717, m. Dec. 8, 1734, Nathaniel Brooks.
Elizabeth, May 1, 1718, d. May 23, 1718.
John, May 2, 1719 (11).
Ebenezer, Jan. 11, 1721.
Elizabeth, March 24, 1722, m. April 27, 1746, Aaron Brooks.

Sarah, Feb. 2, 1723–4, m. Dec. 24, 1741, Shubel Atherton.
Ebenezer, March 2, 1725–6, m. Jerusha.
Noah, June 24, 1727, m. Oct. 16, 1753, Ruth Martindale. A sol. 1755.
Eunice, Sept. 19, 1729, d. Jan. 16, 1744.
Rebecca, Feb. 13, 1730–1.
David, Oct. 2, 1732, m. Jemima. A sol. 1755.
Rhoda, Aug. 7, 1734.
Thankful, Dec. 8, 1736, m. Thomas Judd, Nhn., his 3d wife.
Experience, Dec. 20, 1738, d. Jan. 27, 1739.

8. **Edward**, s. of Edward (3), b. 1688, sett. in Gfd., d. Dec. 10, 1756, or Dec. 19, 1757.

He m. Feb. 4, 1720, Martha, dau. Eb. Wells, Hfd., d. Feb. 26, 1720, a. 23, (2), Feb. 1, 1722, Mercy, dau. Richard Childs, Barnstable, d. Oct. 26, 1758. a. 60.

Ch.: Amos, Nov. 18, 1722, m. June 6, 1743, Rebecca Nims.
Elizabeth, Dec. 1, 1728, m. Jan. 25, 1747–8, Ebenezer Arms.
Tabitha, Feb. 4, 1730.
Irene, March 15, 1735, m. Elias Bardwell.
Edward, April 3, 1739.
Sylvanus, Feb. 26, 1743.

9. **Samuel**, s. of Edward (3), b. 1702, killed at the "Bars fight," by Indians, Aug. 25, 1746, while bravely defending his children.

He m. Nov. 3, 1727, Hannah, dau. Eleazer Hawks, d. March 8, 1771, a. 68.

Ch.: Samuel, May 21, 1729, d. Aug. 28, 1737.
Sarah, June 2, 1730, m. Oct. 9, 1751, Amasa Nims.
Chloe, Oct. 4, 1731, d. unm. Oct. 25, 1767.
Eunice, June 6, 1733; left for dead, in the "Bars fight," with a hatchet in her head, but recovered; d. Aug. 16, 1818.
Hannah, bapt. Nov. 14, 1735, m. — Taylor, of Mont.
Caleb, March 30, 1737, m. Feb. 4, 1768, Judith, dau. Eleazer Hawks, of Dfd.
Samuel, April 21, 1738, cap. at the "Bars fight;" was redeemed from Canada, 1748, by Sergt., afterwards Col. John Hawks. He m. Zilpha Hawks, sett. in Ashfield, but rem. to North Hero, Vt.
Susanna, Aug. 2, 1739, m. Oct. 6, 1774, Samuel Bodman.
Mercy, April 16, 1741, d. unm. Oct. 9, 1765.
Lamberton, bapt. May 1, 1742, rem. to Ashfield, and in 1783 to North Hero, Vt.
Enoch, bapt. Dec. 9, 1744, m. Mary Belding, d. in Ashfield. Wid. and ch. rem. to Grand Isle, 1794.
Ichabod, Posthumous, d. in infancy.

10. **Joseph**, s. of Benj. (5), b. 1701, sett. at Dfd., but rem. to Fall Town, abt. 1757, where he d. July 17, 1785.

He m. April 4, 1727, Hannah, dau Joseph Clesson, of Nhn. She d. May 13, 1790, a. 84.

Ch.: Zebulon, Oct. 22, 1727 (12).
Simeon, 1728.
Sem, Feb. 9, 1730–1, d. July 24, 1754.
Mary, Nov. 5, 1732, d. May 15, 1744.
Seba, Sept. 16, 1736, d. May 20, 1744.
Joseph, March 14, 1739–40, d. April 30, 1744.
Asaph, Sept. 16, 1742, d. June 24, 1744.
The four next above d. of "throat distemper."
Marah, June 12, 1647, d. June 30, 1747.

11. **John**, s. of John (7), b. 1719, sett. in Nfd.

He m. May 8, 1744, Jerusha Hastings.

Ch.: Eunice, Sept. 13, 1744, m. March 13, 1761, Elias Bascom.
Jerusha, April 24, 1746, m. July 13, 1769, Benjamin Miller, Jr.
Ruel, Oct. 8, 1748.
Ithamar, Sept. 25, 1750 (14).
John, Nov. 24, 1752 (15).
Benjamin, Nov. 4, 1754.
Sibyl, July 17, 1759, m. John Field.
Elizabeth, Dec. 23, 1762.

12. ZEBULON, s. of Joseph (10), b. 1727, sett. in Ber. Corporal in French war, 1755, d. Feb. 15, 1786.

He m. Nov. 21, 1751, Freedom Cooley, of Sund., who d. Sep. 16, 1801, a. 71.

Ch.: Asaph, Oct. 22, 1752, m. Persis —.
Sem, April 6, 1755, m. Experience —, sett. in Leyden.
Joseph, March 29, 1757, in Burk's Fort, m. Eunice —. (2), wid. Anna Smith.
Seba, Aug. 16, 1759, m. Clymena E. —.
Mary, Feb. 2, 1762, m. Thadeus Wright.
Jonathan, April 20, 1766, m. April 9, 1789, Chloe Bascom. She d. May 2, 1815.
Samuel Clesson, Jan. 5, 1772 (13).
Electa, Feb. 26, 1775, m. Dec. 21, 1797, Elsworth Hunt.

13. SAMUEL C., s. of Zebulon (12), b. 1772. Clergyman, lawyer, statesman. Graduated D. C., 1794. Licensed to preach by the N. H. Western Association. Settled pastor of the 1st church in Nfd., Nov. 26, 1795, dis. at his request, Jan. 3, 1798. Studied law with John Barrett. Ad. bar, abt. 1800. In 1803 he rem. to N. Salem, where he practiced law. Rem. to Gfd. about 1818, where he lived a few years, and finally returned to Nfd. Representative, 1806–10, State Senator, 1812–15, M. C., 1817–29, Executive Councillor, 1829–30, Senator again, 1831. Afterwards lecturer on political economy at A. C., d. at Nfd. Feb. 8, 1842.

He m. Sarah, dau. Hezekiah Newcomb, of Ber. She d. Jan. 22, 1797, a. 22. (2), April 10, 1797, Mary, dau. Elisha Hunt, who d. Feb. 13, 1833. (3), Aug., 1841, Rosannah (Smith), wid of Abner Ferry, of Granby. She d. in Princeton, Ill., June 9, 1867, a. 83.

Ch.: Samuel C., Sept. 11, 1793 (16).
Joseph P., May 3, 1795 (17).
Infant, Jan. 1, 1797, d. the same day.
Patty H., April 28, 1798, m. Oct. 23, 1817, David Gregg, of New Salem.
James B., Dec. 26, 1799, Lieut. U. S. A., d. at Saginaw, Mich., Aug. 21, 1823.
John J., Dec. 26, 1799, m. April 27, 1835, Sarah M. Gregg. He d. Nov. 15, 1857.
Zebulon, Jan. 6, 1802 (18).
Elisha H., Jan. 18, 1804, lawyer, statesman. Grad. W. C., 1823, M. C. from Maine 4 years; rem. to the Sandwich Islands to practice law, where he soon obtained a seat upon the bench, and was made chief justice by Kamahamaha 5th, in 1863, which place he still retains under the new king. In 1867 he was envoy extraordinary to Washington, to negociate a treaty of reciprocity for the Hawaiian govt.
Frederick H., Feb. 3, 1806, lawyer. Grad. University of Vt. He became eminent at the bar of Maine, judge of the Supreme Court, and M. C. He rem. to Boston, and was lecturer on political economy at H. C., d. at Boston April 5, 1868; m. Feb. 26, 1829, Harriet, dau. of Oliver Cooley, wid. of Jackson Dickinson, of Dfd.
Sarah E., 1808, d. June 19, 1811.
Sarah N., Aug. 8, 1810, m. Feb. 6, 1834, John Appleton, of Bangor, Me.
Mary L., April 8, 1812, d. unm. July 2, 1868.
Dwight, March 20, 1813.
Arthur E., Sept. 7, 1814, an Indian trader in Wisconsin, d. s. p. June 12, 1871.
Edward, Aug. 5, 1818, sett. in Philadelphia, d. in Australia, Nov., 1860.

14. ITHAMAR, s. of John (11), b. 1750, rem. to Gill.

He m. Chloe —.

Ch.: Reuben, May 15, 1774.
Ethan, May 22, 1776.
Nancy Stricklin, April 3, 1778.
Ithamar, Jan. 24, 1780.
Chloe, Nov. 18, 1782.
Amanda, March 26, 1784.
Zenas, March 24, 1786.
Dosha, May 29, 1788.
Solomon, Jan. 24, 1790.
Lynda, Nov. 3, 1792.
Sullivan, Jan. 18, 1794.

15. John, s. of John (11), b. 1752, weaver.

He m. July 6, 1771, Jemima, dau. Ebenezer Janes. She d. Aug. 31, 1787.

Ch.: Hannah, bapt. Aug. 9, 1772.
Sarah, bapt. June 13, 1773, m. 1791, William Henderson.
Lucy, bapt. June 12, 1775.
Jemima, bapt. June 22, 1777, m. May 7, 1796, John Bates.
Rhoda, bapt. Jan. 31, 1781, m. Jeremiah Dean.
John, bapt. Jan. 31, 1781, m. Mary Kingman.
Lorastus, bapt. Aug. 8, 1782.
Polly, bapt. Feb. 15, 1786.
Russell, Aug. 10, 1788.
Lucretia, June 3, 1791.
Mellir, April 21, 1794.
Ruel, March 18, 1797.
Bri, Feb. 13, 1800.

16. Samuel C., s. of Samuel C. (13), b. 1793, farmer, rep. to Mass. legislature from Nfd. many years; rem. to East Boston, where he was post-master at his death, April 7, 1860.

He m. Elizabeth Hasley. (2), Submit (Field), wid. Capt. Elisha Hunt. She d. March 5, 1866.

Ch.: James B., July 5, 1824, in N. Y. city, m. Angie N. Sturtevant, d. Dec. 23, 1853.
Sarah Elizabeth, bapt. Jan., 1837, d. June 29, 1841.

17. Joseph P., s. of Samuel C. (13), b. 1795. Grad. D. C., 1814, lawyer, practiced in Hins. and Charlemont, d. at Troy, N. Y., July 21, 1838.

He m. Harriet Newcomb, of Ber. She d. Aug. 4, 1833, a. 35.

Ch.: Joseph P., abt. 1820, d. May 30, 1846.
Sarah Newcomb, 1822, m. 1843, Alfred R. Field, d. May 6, 1851.
Harriet L., 1825, d. Jan. 9, 1846.
Mary Hunt, July 16, 1829, m. Alfred R. Field, d. May 3, 1859.

18. Zebulon, s. of Samuel C. (13), b. 1802, d. Dec. 18, 1866.

He m. May 20, 1838, Martha, dau. Luther Holton.

Ch.: Florence H., June 28, 1839, m. Nov. 2, 1864, Capt. Ellet P. Perkins.
Frederick Z., Dec. 3, 1841, m. April 30, 1874, Lelia M. Hicks.
Martha E., June 18, 1848, m. May 17, 1871, Clement D. Barthe.

ALLEN, George H., pub. to Eunice Turner, Oct. 21, 1819.

1. ALLEN, James, b. in Mendon.

He m. — Thayer, of Mendon.

Ch.: Ethan, Aug. 31, 1779 (2).
Sabra, m. — Cheney.
Julia, m. Jotham Lord, of Athol.
Elijah B., m. Harriet Seymour.
Nancy, m. — —.
Sarah, m. — Lyman.
Thayer, m. — —.

2. Ethan, s. of James (1). b. 1779, d. at Putney, Vt., Oct. 23, 1828.

He m. June 17, 1801, Hannah Ward, of Orange, who d. at N. Y. city, July 20, 1850, a. 74.

Ch.: David West, Oct. 5, 1802, at Orange (3).
Jonathan W., June 17, 1806, at Spfd., Vt., m. Rhoda B. Roe, of N. Y.
Samuel L., May 19, 1813, at Spfd., Vt., m. Lucretia J. Wiswall, of N. Y. He d. at Charleston, S. C., Dec. 29, 1847.

3. David West, s. of Ethan (2), b. 1802, New York and Nfd.

He m. June 6, 1832, Lydia K., dau. Rev. Thomas Mason.

Ch.: Mary E., June 10, 1833, d. Feb. 7, 1848.

ALLEN, Joseph, b. in Uxbridge, Jan. 5, 1754, tailor, sergt. of a company of minute men in Nfd., and marched for Concord, April 22, 1775. At the expiration of his time of service he went to Providence, R. I., where he again entered the army, and was ensign 1778. Abt. 1833 he rem. to Rehoboth, where he d. May 2, 1837.

He m. March 12, 1778, Phebe Green, of Warwick, R. I. She d. Oct. 18, 1847, a. 90.

Ch.: Stephen G., May 13, 1778.
Pardon, Dec. 16, 1779, d. at Johnstown, Feb. 17, 1817.
George W., Oct. 15, 1781, d. at sea on ship "Hope," March 18, 1804.
Joseph, Oct. 5, 1783.
Rhoda G., March 28, 1785.
Harriet, Jan. 7, 1788, m. — Lark, of Providence, R. I.
Russell W., Oct. 7, 1793, d. at sea on board brig "Defiance," Nov. 24, 1812.
Abigail H., Sept. 8, 1795, d. April 15, 1807.

ALLEN, Newell, 1811.
He m. June 16, 1812, Roxanna Turner, who d. Feb. 22, 1813.

1. ALVORD, Alexander, an early sett. of Wind., rem. to Nhn. bef. 1658. A petitioner for Nfd. 1671, d. Oct, 3, 1687.

He m. Oct. 29, 1646, Mary, dau. Richard Vore, d. bef. 1683.

Ch.: Abigail, Oct. 6, 1647, m. 1666, Thomas Root.
John, Aug. 12, 1649, m. Abigail, dau. Nathaniel Phelps.
Mary, July 6, 1651, m. March 24, 1670, John Miller.
Thomas, Aug. 27, 1653, m. March 22, 1681, Joanna, dau. John Taylor.
Elizabeth, Nov. 12, 1655, m. 1684, Henry Burt.
Benjamin, Feb. 11, 1658, m. 1690, Deborah, dau. John Stebbins.
Sarah, June 24, 1660, m. July 10, 1689, James Warriner.
Jeremiah, May 9, 1663 (2).
Ebenezer, Dec. 23, 1665, m. 1692, Ruth, dau. Joseph Baker.
Jonathan, April 6, 1669, m. Jan. 12, 1693, Thankful Miller.

2. Jeremiah, s. of Alexander (1), b. 1663, sett. in Dfd.

He m. 1691, Mehitable (Frary), wid. Hezekiah Root. She d. Nov. 7, 1697. (2), after 1700, Mercy, dau. William Gull.

Ch.: Jeremiah, Feb. 17, 1692, d. March 4, 1692.
Jeremiah, March 31, 1694, drowned, 1718.
Mercy, Aug. 20, 1696, killed at the desolation of Dfd., 1704.

ALVORD, Tristram, Dr., 1811.

ANDERSON, Ezra, m. Nov. 10, 1793, Tryphena Morgan.

ANDROSS, Bildad, Dr., 1750, rem. to Westminster, Vt., abt. 1768, and later to Mooretown, or Bradford, and was rep. from that town 1777.

He m. Mary —.

Ch.: Naomi, Jan. 3, 1751.
Levi, Aug. 3. 1753, d. 1755.
Mary, April 23, 1754.
Lucy, March 23, 1755.
Mary, July 24, 1756.
Cynthia, March 2, 1760.
John, June 6, 1762, and prob. Joshua and Jonathan.

ARMSTRONG, John, 1818.

ARMS, Willard, Dr., s. of Josiah, of Bratt., b. 1780, Nfd., 1818–29, when he returned to Bratt., d. Sept. 25, 1863.

He m. Feb. 8, 1803, Susanna, dau. Eliakim Arms, of Dfd., d. Feb. 25, 1865.

Ch.: Charlotte, Nov. 25, 1804, m. Dec. 15, 1823, Oliver Mattoon.
Edwin, Sept. 24, 1808, d. March 6, 1826.
Willard, m. Gratia Liscomb.
Susan E., Dec. 13, 1816, m. June, 1843, Rev. Edward Wright, of Dfd., and (2), Rev. Jason Atwater.
Sarah, June 2, 1818, d. May 22, 1828.

ASH, Ebenezer, m. 1794, Sarah, dau. Amasa Sheldon.

ASHLEY, Francis, 1773.
He m. Sept. 2, 1774, Mehitable, dau. John Moffat.

ASHLEY, Joseph, 1773.

ASHLEY, Samuel, rem. to Winch. abt. 1754; lieutenant 1764.
He m. Eunice, dau. Rev. Benjamin Doolittle.

Ch.: Oliver, Oct. 20, 1743.
Tirza, Dec. 24, 1745.
Samuel, Sept. 29, 1747, Col., m. Lydia, dau. Lucius Doolittle.
Thankful, Nov. 10, 1749, m. Oct. 7, 1771, John Alexander.

ASKEY, William, 1770, rem. to Winch.
He m. March 20, 1771, Elizabeth Mackintosh.

Ch.: Mary, Nov. 15, 1772.

ATWELL, Richard, captain, 1781.

ATWOOD, Jacob, 1788.

AVERY, John, 1744; master carpenter; rem. to Westminster, Vt.
He m. Mary Perry.

Ch.: Anna, bapt. Sept. 22, 1754.

BAKER, Charles, captain, 1772.

BAKER, Elijah, 1772–6.

BAKER, Isaac, 1804.

BALL, John, 1807.

1. BANCROFT, Thomas, b. 1622, Dedham and Lynnfield, d. 1691.
He m. Alice Bacon, and (2), Elizabeth Metcalf.

Ch.: Thomas, Sept. 14, 1649 (2).

2. Thomas, s. of Thomas (1), b. 1649, named, in Mather's *Magnalia*.
He m. Sarah, dau. Capt. Jonathan Poole.

Ch.: Rohan, Feb. 14, 1684 (3).

3. Rohan, s. of Thomas (2), b. 1684; deacon of Reading.
He m. Abigail Eaton.

Ch.: David, Aug. 2, 1718 (4).

4. David, s. of Rohan (3), b. 1718, ens., of Ward, now Auburn.
He m. Eunice Bancroft.

Ch.: Ebenezer, Sept. 29, 1748 (5).

5. Ebenezer, s. of David (4), b. 1748, rem. from Auburn to Warwick; d. Jan. 8, 1814.

He m. Phebe Bancroft, who d. Aug. 26, 1813. (2), wid. Knapp.

Ch.: Ebenezer, Sept. 27, 1774 (6).
Aaron, April 19, 1776.
Thomas, Sept. 1, 1778.
Ezra, Aug. 27, 1781.
David, April 6, 1786.
Lyman, April 14, 1788.
Warren, Jan. 20, 1791, m. Aug. 7, 1817, Mary Farrar.
Polly, m. Feb. 1, 1815, Elijah Weisley.
Patience, m. Sept. 29, 1817, Artemas Brown.

6. Ebenezer, s. of Ebenezer (5), b. 1774, Nfd.; cabinet maker.

He m. Nov. 8, 1801, Naomi, dau. Capt. Seth Lyman. (2), Lydia Vaughn, of Sturbridge.

Ch.: Eunice, Sept. 7, 1803, m. Henry Clark.
Ebenezer W., March 5, 1824, m. —— Brooks, of Georgia.

BANCROFT, Leonard.

He m. Rhoda —.

Ch.: Helen M., June 23, 1826.
Sarah A., May 22, 1829.

BANKS, Edward, 1802.

He m. May 28, 1806, Polly Field.

1. BARBER, John, of Sudbury. He was a sol. under Gov. Shirley, in his expedition against Fort Niagara, 1755. A letter to his wife, dated July 11, 1755, contains the last certain information from him. It is supposed he was killed in a skirmish shortly after this date.

He m. Hannah, who m. (2), — Stone. She d. a wid. bef. Feb. 20, 1784.

Ch.: John, m. Abigail, and d. bef. his mother.
Samuel, of Stockbridge, 1789.
Oliver.
Nathan.
Ephraim (2).
Silas, of New York city, Jan. 29, 1789.
Abigail, m. — Loker, and d. bef. her mother.
Hannah, m. — Loker, and d. bef. her mother.

2. Ephraim, s. of John (1), clock maker, of Marlboro; a leading citizen of the town, which he often represented in the legislature; sol. of '76, d. Nov. 14, 1817, a. 70.

He m. Oct. 11, 1781, Elizabeth Crosby. She d. Oct. 31, 1831, a. 72.

Ch.: William, Sept. 26, 1782, m. Polly Manson, 1803.
Jonathan, Jan. 25, 1786 (3).
Elizabeth, Feb. 19, 1789, m. 1808, Nathan Hapgood.

3. Jonathan, s. of Ephraim (2), b. 1786; rem. to Nfd., where he d. Nov. 13, 1871.

He m. April 6, 1809, Achsah Howe. She is living 1875.

Ch.: Lucy, Oct. 9, 1809, m. Sidney S. Miller, from Dummerston, Vt.
Elizabeth, April 5, 1811, m. Nov. 20, 1832, Horace Wood. She d. April 9, 1852.
Franklin, Feb. 26, 1813, m. Jane D., dau. Jesse Knights.
Achsah, April 11, 1815, m. Oct. 1, 1839, Ebenezer Rice.
Esther, Feb. 2, 1817, m. Jonathan Belding.
Lydia M., Nov. 23, 1820.
Harriet, May 8, 1823, m. Thomas Alexander.
Martha A., Sept. 26, 1825, m. 1849, N. A. Richardson.
J. Augustus, Oct. 18, 1831 (4).

4. J. AUGUSTUS, s. of Jona. (3), b. 1831; storekeeper, and miller.

He m. April 30, 1858, Harriet, dau. Hubbard Phelps. She d. Feb. 26, 1864, a. 24. (2), Sept. 17, 1867, Ella, dau. Samuel Merriman.

Ch.: Fred. A., April 13, 1859, d. April 25, 1861.
Frank N., April 13, 1859.

1. BARBER, BARBOUR, THOMAS; Lieut.; came in the "Christian," 1635, to Dorchester; served in the Pequot war. Of Winds., March 28, 1637, with Mr. Francis Stiles, learning the trade of carpenter. Freeman 1647; sergeant 1648, when he was fined 5s. and his office taken from him, for striking Lieut. Cook; was of Simsbury 1677, where he made a contract to build a meeting-house that year; was Lieut. of the first military co. of Simsbury; d. 1662, a 48.

He m. Oct. 7, 1640, Jane —. She d. 1662.

Ch.: John, bapt. July 24, 1642 (2).
Thomas, bapt. July 14, 1644 (3).
Sarah, bapt. July 19, 1646.
Samuel, bapt. Oct. 1, 1648 (4).
Mary, bapt. Oct. 12, 1651, m. July 8, 1669, John Gillet.
Josiah, bapt. Feb. 5, 1653, m. Nov. 22, 1677, Abigail, dau. Nathaniel Loomis; (2), Sarah. Lieut. of Wind., 1699, where he had a grant of 100 acres land, on account of sickness contracted in the Indian war.

2. JOHN, s. of Thomas (1), b. 1642; rem. to Spfd. 1671, thence to Sfd. 1684, where he was deacon; d. May 14, 1712.

He m. Sept. 2, 1665, Bathsheba Coggin, of Springfield.

Ch.: Joanna, April 8, 1667.
John, July 14, 1669, rem. to Spfd.; m. May 1, 1689, wid. Hannah Bancroft.
Return, May 29, 1672, d. young.
Thomas, Feb. 4, 1674.
Mary, Feb. 13, 1677.

3. THOMAS, s. of Thomas (1), b. 1644; lieutenant; rem. to Simsbury; d. May 10, 1701.

He m. Dec. 13, 1665, Mary, dau. William Phelps.

Ch.: Mary, Jan. 11, 1666.
Sarah, July 2, 1667.

4. SAMUEL, s. of Thomas (1), b. 1648; Simsbury and Windsor.

He m. Mary Coggins. (2), June 25, 1676, Ruth, dau. John Drake, of Windsor.

Ch.: Thomas, Oct. 7, 1671, buried Oct. 31, 1673.
Samuel, Jan. 26, 1673, m. June 18, 1713, Martha Ponder.
John, Jan. 25, 1776–7, m. July 24, 1717, Jane Alford.
Hannah, Oct. 4, 1681.
Ruth, July 24, 1683, m. William Phelps.
Elizabeth, Feb. 9, 1683–4, m. Daniel Loomis.
David, May 12, 1686 (5).
Joseph, m. Mary Loomis.
Sarah, Aug. 28, 1698, m. Stephen Palmer. (2), — Phelps; rem. to Westfield.
William, m. Esther.
Mary, Sept. 26, 1704, m. Peter Brown, of Windsor.
Mindwell, d. unm.; br. Joseph app. administrator, March, 1715.
Benjamin, m. June 30, 1720, Hannah Lewis.

5. DAVID, s. of Samuel (4), b. 1686. He was an early settler at Hebron, Ct., where he held a large tract of land, willed him by his father. He became a leading man in the town; was justice of the peace, and captain of the train band; his house was often used for public meetings, before the meeting-house was built.

He m. at Hebron, Hannah Post, prob. dau. Stephen, one of the earliest settlers of Hebron.

Ch.: Prob. Stephen.
David, 1716 (6).

6. David, s. of David (5), b. 1716. With thirteen other children he was bapt. in Dr. Obadiah Hosford's barn, May, 1717, by Rev. John Buckly, of Colchester; Hebron having no minister until the October following. He d. Jan. 14, 1801.

He m. — Case. (2), Miss Abigail Newcomb, who d. March 22, 1805, a. 77.

Ch.: Oliver.
Aaron.
Patience, m. Sylvester Gilbert, deacon, and judge; of Hebron.
David, Aug. 16, 1760 (7).
Obadiah, m.
Bildad, m. — —, sett. in Lyme, N. H.
Elihu, sett. in Pompey Hollow, N. Y., and 3 daus. who m., one — Phelps; one — Jones; one — Post.

7. David, s. of David (6), b. 1760; capt. Rev. army; he was in the battle of Long Island, as drummer boy, Aug. 27, 1776, and in the retreat to New York, on the night of the 29th; he was also of the party who fortified Dorchester Heights, on the night of March 4, 1776; rem. to Northfield 1792; d. March 13, 1839.

He m. Sept. 25, 1781, Lois, dau. Timothy Dutton. She d. April 20, 1821, a. 61.

Ch.: Amaziah D., June 30, 1782 (8).
David, March 18, 1785; doctor; sett. in Bradford Co., Penn.
Isaac B., May 20, 1787 (9).
Lois, Nov. 11, 1789, d. Aug. 17, 1807.
Fanny, Jan. 25, 1793, d. Feb. 8, 1793.
Fanny, March 17, 1794, d. March 10, 1827.
Lucy D., March 1, 1796, d. unm. May 10, 1825.
Mary, May 1, 1798, d. May 4, 1798.
Mary, Nov. 23, 1799, m. May 28, 1821, Dr. Horace Morgan.
Charles, April 19, 1802 (10).

8. Amaziah D., s. of David (7), b. 1782; sett. in St. Johnsbury, Vt., where he engaged in mercantile business, and d. 1814.

He m. Freelove C. Arnold. She d. Nov. 4, 1811.

9. Isaac B., s. of David (7), b. 1787; D. C., 1805; lawyer; admitted to the bar 1808; sett. at Coleraine; first reg. of Probate, in Franklin county, 1811; captain U. S. A. in the war of 1812; rem. to Rochester, N. Y.; d. Sept. 21, 1864.

He m. Miss Nancy Chandler.

10. Charles, s. of David (7), b. 1802; farmer; rem. to Winch. 1848, where he now resides.

He m. Dec. 26, 1826, Mary E., dau. Samuel Williams, of Warwick. She d. Sept. 23, 1838, a. 28. (2), Jan. 14, 1840, Lydia C., dau. John Field. She d. Dec. 14, 1843, a. 39. (3), June 28, 1848, Lucy, dau. John Field.

Ch.: Mary, July 27, 1829.
Charles W., March 21, 1831, d. May 26, 1838.
Lucy, Sept. 3, 1832.
Edward, Sept. 29, 1835, m. Sept. 29, 1864, Caroline A. Colton.
Emily L., Nov. 14, 1840.
Charles J., July 31, 1842; physician; m. 1867, Adeline Sawin, who d. May 6, 1872.

BARRETT, Asa.
He m. 1789, Dorothy Bancroft.

BARRETT, David; carpenter and wheelwright; 1764.

1. BARRETT, John; rem. from Middletown, Conn., to Springfield, Vt.; was a partisan of New York in the Hampshire Grant trouble; in 1775, he

was commissioned lieutenant-colonel of the upper regiment of Cumberland county; he was drowned in the Connecticut river, Dec. 3, 1806, a 75.

He m. June 19, 1755, Elizabeth Edwards, of Boston. She d. Aug. 27, 1809, a. 76.

Ch.: John, Aug. 16, 1756 (2).
Elizabeth, Aug. 10, 1758, m. Rev. Isaiah Potter, 35 years minister at Lebanon, N. H.
Thomas, Feb. 10, 1760, m. 1791, Betty, dau. Roger Bates, of Springfield, Vt.
Mary, Oct. 10, 1765, m. Arthur McClellan, of Portland, Me.

2. **John**, s. of John (1), b. 1756, of Nfd. 1786; lawyer; rep.; he was for many years a leading man in his profession, in the north part of old Hampshire county, and his office was a favorite resort for law students; d. Dec. 26, 1816.

He m. Oct. 29, 1790, Martha, dau. Obadiah Dickinson.

Ch.: Elisa E., Dec. 18, 1791, d. June 19, 1814.
Mary, July 19, 1793, m. Sept. 16, 1811, Woodbury Storer, of Portland, Me.
Martha D., Sept. 12, 1794, d. July 18, 1804.
Charlotte Collins, Feb. 17, 1796, m. Dec. 18, 1814, Franklin Ripley, of Greenfield.
Sarah Pullen, Jan. 5, 1798, m. May 6, 1821, Rev. Thomas Shepherd, of Ashfield, and Sunderland, Vt.
Louisa Warner, Dec. 3, 1799, d. May 24, 1804.
John, Feb. 21, 1802; doctor, grad. B. C.; sett. in Portland, Me.
Charles, Jan. 6, 1804, grad. B. C.; lawyer; sett. in Portland.

BARTLETT, **George**, 1810.

BARTLETT, **Mathew**, 1814.

BARTLETT, **John**, 1812.

He m. Feb. 1, 1829, Elizabeth Lyman.

BARTLETT, **Sylvanus**, 1814.

He m. Fanny —.

Ch.: David, Oct, 1, 1815.
Reuben, Oct. 11, 1818.

1. BASCOM, **Thomas**, Dorchester, 1634; Windsor, 1639; Nhn., 1661; where he d. May 9, 1682.

He m. Avis (or *Advice*, by *Hat. rec.*). She d. Feb. 3, 1676.

Ch.: Hannah, m. Nov. 15, 1650, John Broughton. (2), Nov. 20, 1662, William Janes.
Abigail, bapt. June 7, 1640, m. Dec. 12, 1657, John Ingersoll.
Thomas, Feb. 20, 1642 (2).
Hepzibah, April 14, 1644, m. Nov. 5, 1662, Robert Lyman.

2. **Thomas**, s. of Thomas (1), b. 1642; Nfd.; petitioner, 1671; and first settler; d. Sept. 11, 1689.

He m. March 20, 1667, Mary, dau. Thomas Newell, of Farmington; [*Savage*], or Mary Baldwin, who d. Feb. 3, 1676; [*Edward's History Southampton*].

Ch.: Thomas, 1668 (3).
John, 1670, d. young.
John, Oct. 14, 1672, m. Dec. 12, 1700, Thankful Webster; sett. in Lebanon, Ct.
Mary, who d. young.

3. **Thomas**, s. of Thomas (2), b. 1668; d Feb. 3, 1714.

He m. Hannah, dau. John Catlin, Deerfield. She d. Jan., 1746.

Ch.: Samuel, Jan. 27, 1692.
Hannah, Sept. 16, 1694, m. March 27, 1718, Thomas Judd, of Nhn.
Thomas, Nov. 10, 1697, d. young.
Thomas, Jan. 8, 1699, d. young.
Ezekiel, Nov. 22, 1700 (4).

Abigail, Nov. 5, 1701, d. Dec. 19, 1701.
Ruth, April, 1703, m. — Curtis.
Jona. 1706.
Joseph, Jan. 20, 1708–9.
Mary, m. May 1, 1734, Noah Sheldon, Southampton.
Martha, Sept. 16, 1713, m. Nov. 24, 1741, Nathaniel White, Hadley.

4. Ezekiel, s. of Thomas (3), b. 1700; Dfd.; rem. to Gfd.; d. 1746.

He m. Dec. 21, 1727, Sarah Severance, who d. Sept. 9, 1729. (2), May 23, 1734, Rebecca Clary. She m. (2), Nathaniel Brooks, 1750. She d. April 12, 1776, a. 75.

Ch.: Son, Sept. 4, 1728, d. young.
Moses, June 8, 1736, m. Sept. 22, 1760, Eunice Severance, of Dfd., who d. July 21, 1802. He m. (2), 1805 Experience Howland, who m. (3), Feb. 3, 1808, Capt. Seth Lyman.
Elias, May 8, 1737 (5).
Rebecca, bapt. 1740, m. Capt. Caleb Chapin, Bernardston.
Ezekiel, bapt. 1742 (6).

5. Elias, s. of Ezekiel (4), b. 1737; weaver and clothier; sol. at Fort Edward, 1756; Nfd., 1761; rem. late in life to Orwell, Vt.; d. Nov. 29, 1833, a. 96.

He m. March 13, 1761, Eunice, dau. of John Allen, of Nfd. (2), after 1795, Thankful Graves.

Ch.: Elias, Feb. 27, 1762, m. May, 1782, Rebecca Stevens; has lived in Newport and Orwell, Vt.
Reuben, April 22, 1763, m. 1786, Lydia Hurd; sett. in Newport, Vt.
Eunice, Aug. 25, 1764, m. Daniel Buel, of Orwell.
Jerusha, Nov. 23, 1765, d. unm.
Joseph, bapt. Feb. 13, 1767, d. next day.
Joseph, March 30, 1768. Per. m. Esther Judd, 1784.
Zeri, or Levi, Jan. 13, 1770, m. Nov. 13, 1794, Mabel Murray.
Artimedorus, Dec. 19, 1774; sett. in Gill; m. March 11, 1800, Chloe Hulburd.
Elisha, Oct., 1776, m. Dec. 20, 1802, Charlotte Holly; sett. in Shoreham, Vt.
Cynthia, 1777, m. Daniel Blandon.
Lucy, Aug. 17, 1778, m. Thomas Cutts, of Orwell.
Rebecca, m. Benjamin, or Reuben Wright.
Ira, 1783; Dr.; m. Patience Griswold; sett. in Orwell.
Lucinda, 1786, m. Clark Sandford, Orwell.
Henry.

6. Ezekiel, s. of Ezekiel (4), b. 1742; sett. in Gfd.; d. March 18, 1817.

He m. Jan. 3, 1765, Anna Brown. She d. March 1, 1814, a. 75.

Ch.: Anna, Jan. 31, 1770, m. Jan. 16, 1791, Elijah Alvord, of Gfd.
Electa, Dec. 26, 1771, m. Sept. 8, 1792, Samuel Wells, Jr.

1. BEACH, Apollos, 1804; sol., 1812.

He m. Chloe —, who d. Sept. 11, 1805, a. 30. (2), Sally Wright.

Ch.: Apollos W., Nov. 20, 1807.
Sally, June 19, 1809.
Josiah H., Sept. 21, 1810.
Chloe, Oct. 5, 1812, d. unm.
William C., Aug. 18, 1814.
Daniel M., Feb. 9, 1817.

2. Joseph, brother of Apollos, 1802.

He m. Dec. 2, 1803, Sophia, dau. Elisha Alexander.

Ch.: Sophia A., March 12, 1806.
Charles, Oct. 19, 1807, sett. in New Boston, Ct.
Joseph, Feb. 8, 1810 (3).
William, sett. in Virginia.
Thomas, sett. in Hartford.
Francis A., m. Cornelius Emmett, of Hart.
Elizabeth, m. Frederick Rice.

3. Joseph, s. of Joseph (2), b. 1810, d. April 13, 1856.

He m. July 27, 1841, Susan E., dau. James Lane, of Virginia.

Ch.: Joseph L., June 20, 1842.
Susan F., Dec. 19, 1843.
William J., Aug. 11, 1845.
Edward C., July 19, 1847.
Frank M., Nov. 30, 1850.
William G., April 19, 1853.
Jesse, April 19, 1855.

BEACH, Amasa, 1817.

BEACH, Azariah, 1817.

BEACH, Chauncy, 1809–10.

BEACH, Elizabeth.
She m. Elihu Phelps, abt. 1795.

1. BEAMAN, BEMAN, BEEMAN, BEAUMONT, John; Dfd., 1724; sold his estate there, 1732, and rem. to Nfd., where he had large grants of land; rep. to legislature, 1737; rem. to Hart. 1747, but returned in 1752; merchant, 1754; March 4, 1766, the town chose a committee "to hire a house and garden spot for the use of Mr. John Beeman and family, and to buy a cow for his use during the town's pleasure." [*Town record.*] An educated man, and bore the title of *Mr.;* d. Nov. 16, 1767, a. "abt. 80."

He m. Lydia —. (2), March 27, 1754, Sarah Brooks. She m. (2), Feb. 3, 1780, Samuel Hinsdale, of Gfd.

Ch.: John, March 23, 1746, d. April following.
John, Feb. 9, 1755 (2).
Lydia, Aug. 17, 1756, m. May 28, 1787, Robert Earle.
Sarah, Jan. 13, 1759.

2. John, s. of John (1), b. 1755; was under Capt. Alexander in the march to Canada, March, 1776, and with him went to New Jersey; had lived in Dfd. and Gfd.; sett. in Hallowwell, N. Y., where he d. March 1, 1827.

He m. March 20, 1785, Hannah Jennings, of Winthrop, N. Y.; b. 1764.

BEAN, Asa, 1806.

1. BELCHER, William; tailor; from Boston; said by family tradition to be descended from Gov. Belcher; d. March 14, 1827, a. 73.

He m. June 8, 1775, Huldah, dau. Alexander Norton.

Ch.: Anna, Nov. 1, 1775, d. April 20, 1822.
Alexander, May 2, 1778, lawyer; sett. in Winthrop, Me.
William, Aug. 3, 1780; sett. in Charlestown.
Fanny, Nov. 6, 1782, d. Feb. 23, 1793.
Andrew, June 23, 1785, d. in Bradford, N. H.
Nabby, bapt. April 19, 1787, d. young.
Nabby, Nov. 2, 1788, m. Sept. 11, 1808, Elihu Phelps, and d. Dec. 3, 1822.
Richard, Jan. 31, 1791, lawyer; Freeport, Me.
Fanny, April 16, 1793, m. Sept. 20, 1821, Ebenezer Shaw, Winthrop, Me.
Jonathan, Jan. 10, 1796 (2).
Huldah, April 17, 1798, d. Sept. 22, 1799.
Huldah, Aug. 28, 1800, d. unm. 1850.
Eliza, Dec. 10, 1805, d. Dec. 30, 1805.

2. Jonathan, s. of William (1), b. 1796.

He m. Oct. 16, 1821, Mary Gay Whiting.

Ch.: Mary, Nov. 20, 1825.
Martha, Nov. 4, 1829, m. Gardner Morse, N. H., Ct. She d. 1868.
Eliza, July 1, 1832.
William, July 28, 1835.

1. BELDING, BAYLDON [in England], BELDEN [by the first emigrants], Richard; one of the founders of Weth. Wife unknown.

Ch.: Samuel (2).
John, 1631, m. April 24, 1657, Lydia —; was a trooper of Weth., 1658; d. 1677.

2. Samuel, s. of Richard (1); Hfd., 1673; d. Jan. 3, 1713.

He m. Mary, who was killed in the attack on Hfd., by Indians, Sept. 19,

1677. (2), June 25, 1678, Mary, wid. of Thomas Wells. She d. Sept. 20, 1691. (3), 1691, Mary, wid. of John Allis. (4), April 10, 1704, Sarah, wid. of John Wells.

Ch.: Mary, July 10, 1655, m. Daniel Weld, of Deerfield.
Samuel, April 6, 1657, m. 1678, Sarah, wid. Samuel Billings. (2), Mary, wid. Dr. Thomas Hastings.
Stephen, Dec. 28, 1658 (3).
Sarah, Sept. 30, 1661.
Ann, Jan. 27, 1665.
Ebenezer, Nov. 16, 1667, m. Abigail, had dau. Martha, b. 1693.
John, Nov. 13, 1669, m. Sarah —, s. John, b. Sept. 22, 1694; Joseph, Aug. 9, 1696.

3. STEPHEN, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1658, d. Oct. 6, 1720.

He m. Aug. 16, 1682, Mary, dau. Thomas Wells, of Had. She m. (2), Jan. 2, 1723, Capt. Joseph Field, of Sund., and d. March 15, 1751.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Feb. 2, 1683, m. Richard Scott.
Mary, May 20, 1685, m. Feb. 12, 1702, John Wait.
Sarah, Oct. 25, 1687.
Stephen, Feb. 22, 1689 (4).
Samuel, Oct. 23, 1692, m. May 8, 1717, Elizabeth, dau. Hezekiah Dickinson, of Springfield.
Jonathan, 1694 (5).
Joshua, 1696, m. Dec. 1, 1725, Sarah Field; he d. in Hfd., 1738.
Esther, m. 1724, Nathaniel Gunn.
Lydia, d. July 24, 1714.

4. STEPHEN, s. of Stephen (3), b. 1689; miller. In 1717, being then of Swampfield (now Sund.), he was offered 15 acres of land in Bennet's meadow, on condition he build a mill on Mill brook, which he accepted. He d. Feb. 19, 1735–6.

He m. Dec. 24, 1713, Mindwell, dau. Capt. Benjamin Wright.

Ch.: Lydia, April 1, 1715.
Thankful, Jan. 6, 1718, m. abt. 1741, Joseph Stebbins.
Stephen, July 1, 1720 (6).
Mary, July 9, 1722.
Mindwell, April 25, 1724.
Moses, } Feb. 28, } (7).
Aaron, } 1726, } killed at Belding's rock, July 23, 1748. [*See ante*, p. 271.]
Martha, Jan. 19, 1727–8.
Titus, Jan. 16, 1731–2, m. Nov. 16, 1752, Anna Carew, of Springfield.

5. JONATHAN, s. of Stephen (3), b. 1694, in Had.; lieutenant; sol. in Ralle's war, 1724. He received a grant of 12 acres upland, on condition he build a saw mill at Nfd., 1717; d. July 6, 1778, "near 83."

He m. July 7, 1720, Hepzibah, dau. Nathaniel Dickinson, of Hfd. She d. Dec. 29, 1761, a. 65. (2), Oct. 26, 1763, Lydia, wid. Rev. Benjamin Doolittle. She m. (3), Nov. 3, 1778, at the age of 79, Japhet Chapin, of Spfd. She d. June 16, 1790, a. 92. When Madam Chapin was 80 years old, she made a visit to her children in Nfd., on horseback, riding the whole distance, 40 miles, in one day. She was esquired by her youthful husband of 82 years.

Ch.: Hepzibah, May 12, 1722, d. Oct. 13, 1736.
Jonathan, Oct. 17, 1724, d. Nov. 12, 1727.
Katherine, June 24, 1727, d. Oct. 17, 1736.
Jonathan, Jan. 29, 1729 (8).
Submit, May 13, 1732, m. Aug. 31, 1757, David Keyes, of Western. She m. (2), Dec. 3, 1763, John Eastman, of Hadley.

6. STEPHEN, s. of Stephen (4), b. 1720; miller; rem. to Winch. abt. 1780, where he d. July 3, 1813.

He m. Abigail —, who d. Jan. 5, 1764. (2), abt. 1765, Martha —, from Hardwick.

Ch.: Hepzibah, Feb. 14, 1741, m. Nov. 1, 1763, Oliver Wright.
Catherine, Jan. 11, 1743–4.
Stephen, Feb. 14, 1745–6; sol. of '76; at West Point, 1779.
John, May 6, 1748.

Aaron, June 26, 1750.
Joab, Nov. 17, 1752, d. Oct. 27, 1756.
Mindwell, March 25, 1755.
Joab, July 2, 1758, under Capt. Thomas Alexander in Canada expedition, 1776.
Martha, April 14, 1766.
Hannah, July 31, 1767.
Carley, March 19, 1769.
Timothy B., Dec. 10, 1770, d. Feb. 16, 1774.
Aaron J., March 17, 1773.

7. Moses, s. of Stephen (4), b. 1726; sol. of '76; rem. to Winchester abt. 1767.

He m. Sarah, dau. Nathaniel Chamberlain.

Ch.: Dorcas, May 28, 1747.
Annaretta, Oct. 16, 1749, m. May, 1770, Amasa Burt.
Elisha, Oct. 12, 1751; sett. in Hinsdale.
Augustus, Jan. 13, 1753; sol. of '76.
Lydia, Feb. 8, 1755.
Rhoda, Aug. 2, 1758.
Sarah, April 6, 1761.
Moses, Feb. 8, 1766.

8. Jonathan, s. of Jonathan (5), b. 1729. In early manhood he was an invalid for years, barely escaping death of consumption; he was ever after extremely careful of his health, and methodical in his habits. He was never known to run; no emergency could hasten his regular pace; and for many years before his death his only food was a certain amount of bread and milk, with a glass of wine, three times a day; finishing off by smoking a definite amount of tobacco in his clay pipe. Of imposing appearance, in cocked hat and careful costume of a gentleman of the olden time, with his deliberate movements on the street, he is remembered as a striking figure, by the boys of his day. [*E. E. Belding.*] He d. Sept. 24, 1825.

He m. Sarah Dickinson, of Hfd. She d. Jan. 17, 1762, a. 30. (2), Dec. 28, 1763, Keziah, dau. Joseph Eastman, of Amherst. She d. Oct. 24, 1812, a. 79.

Ch.: Jonathan, April 3, 1761, m. Sarah —, who d. Oct. 12, 1789, a 28. (2), 1790, Abigail Cole, of Richmond, N. H.; sett. in New York; Rev. sol.
Asa, Oct. 28, 1764, d. s. p. April 26, 1817.
Sarah, Aug. 1, 1766, d. unm. Aug. 12, 1829.
Samuel, March 1, 1768, sett. in Boston.
Joseph, April 3, 1670; Rev. sol.; m. Dec. 31, 1801, Elizabeth Bogle; he d. s. p. May 10, 1850.
Hepzibah, Jan. 19, 1772, m. Nov. 1, 1789, Clement Miner.
Keziah, } May 20, } d. unm. Feb., 1841.
Elijah, } 1774. } (9),
Mary, Nov. 7, 1776, d. unm. June 8, 1822.

9. Elijah, s. of Jonathan (8), b. 1774, d. March 17, 1843.

He m. March 18, 1810, Lois S., dau. Nathaniel Stearns, Warwick. She d. April 25, 1860, a. 82.

Ch.: Lois S., May 2, 1811, d. Sept. 23, 1814.
Elijah E., April 18, 1813 (10).
Jonathan, Aug. 16, 1815 (11).
Lois S., Sept. 15, 1818, d. unm. Dec. 13, 1862.
Maria A., Oct. 2, 1820, m. June 1, 1843, Elijah M. Dickinson, Fitchburg.

10. Elijah E., s. of Elijah (9), b. 1813; selectman and assessor many years; rep. to legislature, 1873; a large hop grower.

He m. March 22, 1836, Eliza, dau. Jacob Frost, Vernon.

Ch.: Edward E., Jan. 2, 1837, m. Oct. 15, 1861, Mary A., dau. Phineas Stedman, Chicopee.
Eliza E., May 11, 1842, d. April 3, 1849.
Elijah, April 18, 1847, m. June 14, 1870, Hattie E. Overhiser.
Edgar F., Jan. 17, 1850; grad. Y. C., 1872.
Everett E., May 25, 1854, d. Oct. 9, 1854.

11. Jonathan, s. of Elijah (9), b. 1815; sett. in Fitchburg.

He m. Oct. 20, 1841, Esther, dau. Jonathan Barber.

Ch.: Augustine S., Aug. 6, 1842, m June 5, 1872, Emma S. Young.
Anna S., Nov. 6, 1847, m. Oct. 19, 1871, Warren Wetherby, of Fitchburg.

BELLOWS, Benjamin, 1773.

1. BEMENT, John, prob. s. of John of Enfield; if so, b. 1701; a sol. from Nfd. in Ralle's, and the French wars; cap. at "Cold Spring, a little below Fort Bridgman," June 24, 1746, by a party of Indians, and carried to Canada. (*See ante*, p. 245.)

He m. Rachel, dau. Benjamin Wright, Jr. She d. Jan. 19, 1731–2, a. 24, (2), Mary —.

Ch.: Abigail, Oct. 31, 1726.
Mary, Sept. 7, 1728, d. Sept. 17, 1728.
Mary, Oct. 24, 1729.
John, May 3, 1734 (2).
Jerusha, Sept. 10, 1735, d. Nov. 23, 1735.
Phineas, March 6, 1737.
Jonathan, April 26, 1739.
Jesse, Aug. 6, 1740.

2. John, s. of John (1), b. 1734; sol. under Capt. John Burke, in Lord Loudon's campaign, 1777; then of Hfd.; rem. thence to Ashfield. There is a tradition in the family, that when young, he was cap. by Indians, and taken toward Canada; but one night, while staked down on his back in a ditch, he managed to escape, and reached home in safety. He might have been taken when his father was; d. March 22, 1806.

He m. Mary, dau. Nathan Wait, Whately, b. June 5, 1740, d. March 8, 1822.

Ch.: Phineas, July 17, 1759, d. Oct. 31, 1833.
John, March 1, 1761, d. Nov. 12, 1836.
Mary, April 1, 1763, d. May, 1845.
Reuben, Jan. 4, 1767, d. Sept. 27, 1845.
Samuel, May 17, 1769, d. 1859.
Hannah, Aug. 31, 1771, d. May 6, 1836.
Daniel, Sept. 4, 1773, d. Dec. 7, 1774.
Sarah, May 22, 1775, d. March 22, 1806.
Lucinda, June 9, 1777, d. 1855.
Prinda, Sept. 11, 1779, d. April 8, 1844.
Daniel, Nov. 2, 1782, d. July 22, 1871.
Menda, Nov. 22, 1784, d. Sept. 11, 1872.

BENJAMIN, Seth, 1803.

1. BENNET, Francis, Boston; drowned at Noddle's Island, Dec. 4, 1655.

He m. Alice —, who m. (2), Aug. 8, 1656, Ralph Hutchinson, of Nhn.

Ch.: Mary, Sept. 15, 1650.
James, Feb. 14, 1652 (2).
Elizabeth, Dec. 20, 1654.

2. James, s. of Francis (1), b. 1652. At Nfd., in the First Settlement; was killed at the Falls fight, May 19, 1676.

He m. Feb. or July 18, 1674, Mary Broughton. She m. (2), 1677, Benoni Stebbins, of Nhn. and Dfd.; d. Aug. 2, 1689.

Ch.: Mary, 1675, m. John Field, of Dfd. Their son John, had his grandfather James Bennet's share in the Falls fight township, 1737.

BILLINGS, Barnabas, s. of Gideon, of Hardwick; grad. Brown University; Nfd., 1792; merchant; town treasurer many years; rem. abt. 1805 to Nhn., and later to Chesterfield, where he d. 1824, a. 56.

He m. 1793, Martha, dau. Dr. Medad Pomeroy. She d. 1845, a. 72.

Ch.: Mary A., July 31, 1795.
Frederick A., March 12, 1798.
Martha, April, 1800.
Daniel, March 7, 1802.
Julia, Aug. 13, 1804.
Pomroy.

BILLINGS, Ebenezer, 1763; m. Mary ——; of Cambridge, N. Y., 1783.

BILLINGS, Samuel, 1803–4.

BILLINGS, William. Wife, Mary —, d. Nov. 30, 1837, a. 34.

BISHOP, Levi, 1802. Heirs, taxed, 1805.

BLAKE, Charles, b. in Hingham, abt. 1771; surgeon's mate on board the old "Constitution," where he was wounded; afterwards stationed at Fort Independence, and Norfolk; sett. in Nfd., in the practice of his profession, in 1807; d. April 20, 1841.

He m. 1802, Fanny, dau. Gov. Jonª. Hunt. She d. July 8, 1856, a. 73.

Ch.: Charles A., 1805, m. Jane Hays, and d. at Washington, D. C., March 21, 1850.
Jonathan H., Sept. 26, 1807, m. Bethia Reed.
Joseph S., July 13, 1809; lawyer, Providence, R. I.; m. Hope T. Richmond.
Frances L., Feb. 24, 1813, m. 1832, Dr. Marshall S. Mead.

BLAKELY, or BLAKESLY, Thomas, 1721–2; bought the Benj. Palmer home lot, 1735; rem. to Waterbury, Ct.

BLISS, Bishop T., 1818.

BLOTCHET, Timothy.

He m. Elizabeth —.

Ch.: Joseph, Oct. 28, 1796.

BOGLE, Thomas, 1801.

1. BOLTWOOD, Robert; sergeant; of Conn., 1648; prob. of Glastenbury, where he had a grant of a pond, and a quantity of land adjacent, from Peckhaun, an Indian chief; a first sett. of Had.; d. April 6, 1684.

He m. Mary —, who d. May 14, 1687.

Ch.: Samuel (2).
Sarah, m. May 31, 1666, Isaac Warner. (2), Dec. 30, 1696, Dea. John Loomis, of Windsor.
Lydia, m. April 2, 1674, John Warner, of Spfd. She d. Jan. 26, 1683.
Martha, m. April 1, 1674, Daniel Warner, of Hat. She d. Sept. 22, 1710.
Mary, m. Oct. 24, 1667, James Beebe. She d. Aug. 19, 1676.

2. Samuel, s. of Robert (1); sergeant; Nfd. sett. in 1685; soldier, at Dfd., Feb. 29, 1704, and was killed in the Meadow fight. "A man of remarkable strength and bravery," says Judd.

He m. Sarah, dau. of Wm. Lewis, of Farmington, Ct. She d. Aug. 10, 1722, a. 70.

Ch.: Sarah, Oct. 1, 1672, m. June 28, 1692, Nathaniel Kellogg.
Mary, Aug. 7, 1675, d. young.
Samuel, Oct. 12, 1679, m. Hannah, dau. Nathaniel Alexander; rem. abt. 1731, to Amherst.
Elizabeth, April 12, 1681, m. July 12, 1715, Eleazer Mattoon, of Dfd., Nfd., and Amherst.
Robert, April 19, 1683, one of the brave nine, who fell with his father, 1704.
Ebenezer, March 20, 1685; rem. abt. 1716, to Berwick, Me.
William, Jan. 28, 1687, d. Aug. 27, 1714, while with Col. Stoddard and Rev. John Williams, on the expedition to recover captives in Canada.
Rebecca, Aug. 1, 1691, m. May 7, 1724, Daniel Shattuck; his 2d wife.
Solomon, July 2, 1694; rem. as early as 1737, to Amherst; d. April 20, 1762.
Lydia, Oct., 1696, m. June 29, 1719, John Ingram, of Amherst.

BORDWELL, Satmations, 1797.

BOWEN, Benjamin, 1795; rem. to Middlebury, Vt., abt. 1797, where he was postmaster for many years.
He m. Dec. 31, 1795, Sabra Wright.

1. BOWEN, Charles, 1772; rem. to Charlestown, N. H., abt. 1774.
He m. Dec. 19, 1775, Dinah, dau. Dr. Ebenezer Field.

Ch.: Lucy, 1784, m. abt. 1804, William Pomeroy, Jr. She d. June 18, 1813.
Charles, 1787 (2).

2. Charles, s. of Charles (1), b. 1787; lieutenant artillery company in the Boston campaign, Sept., 1814; merchant, in company with Prior and Pomeroy; rem. abt. 1824, to Tarrytown, New York, where he now lives, (1874).
He m. Esther S., dau. Edward Houghton.

Ch.: Lucy, Sept. 29, 1814.
Charles E., Jan. 27, 1816.
James, Sept. 28, 1817, d. Oct. 2, 1817.
Sarah Houghton, Nov. 5, 1818.

BOWKER, John, 1797.

BOWKER, Solomon, 1797.

1. BOYDEN, James, s. of John, of Groton and Dfd.; clothier; Nfd., 1786.
He m. Feb. 26, 1789, Susanna, dau. Alexander Norton.

2. Simeon, brother to James (1); weaver and clothier; kept hotel; rem. to Boston, where he and his sons became famous as landlords of the "City Tavern," and "Tremont House."
He m. Sept. 10, 1795, Rhoda, dau. Oliver Watriss, and (2), Lucy—.

Ch.: Lucy, Nov. 13, 1795.
John, Jan. 12, 1798.
Maria, April 4, 1800, d. April 11, 1802.
Dwight, Jan. 10, 1802.
Frederick, June 22, 1805.
George, August 28, 1807.
Mary A., by 2d wife. She m. Topsfield.

BREWER, Nathaniel, tailor.
He m. Margaret —.

Ch.: Mary, 1771, d. Dec. 19, 1795.

BREWER, Samuel, 1791; merchant; rem. to Boston abt. 1798.
He m. Dec. 7, 1791, Sally, dau. Alexander Norton.

Ch.: Nathaniel, March, 1792, d. Oct. 11, 1795.
Samuel, 1793, d. Oct. 13, 1795.
Nathaniel, bapt. June 25, 1797.
Sally, bapt. June 25, 1797.

1. BRIDGE, John; deacon; Cambridge, 1632; freeman, 1635; rep. 1637; d. April, 1665.
He m. (2), Elizabeth, wid. of Martin Saunders, of Boston, and she afterwards m. Edward Taylor.

Ch.: Mathew (2).
Thomas.
Sarah, Feb. 16, 1649.

2. Mathew, s. of Mathew (1), b. in England; d. April 28, 1700.
He m. 1643, Ann, dau. of Nicholas Danforth. She d. Dec. 2, 1704.

Ch.: John, June 15, 1645.
Ann, 1646, m. June 4, 1668, Samuel Livermore, and (2), Oliver Wellington.
Martha, Jan., 1649, d. young.
Mathew, May 5, 1650 (3).
Samuel, Feb. 14, 1653, d. Feb. 25, 1673.
Thomas, Jan. 1, 1655–6, d. March 28, 1673.
Elizabeth, bapt. Sept. 18, 1659.

3. **Mathew**, s. of Mathew (2), b. 1650, d. May 29, 1738.

He m. Abigail, dau. Joseph Russell, of Cambridge. She d. Dec. 14, 1727, a. 56.

Ch.: Mary, June 19, 1688, m. — Russell.
Ann, Sept. 12, 1691, m. Abraham Watson.
Mathew, March 1, 1694.
Abigail, April 1, 1696, m. — Whitney.
Joseph, July 8, 1698 (4).
John, Sept. 1, 1700.
Elizabeth, Nov. 30, 1703.
Samuel, May 2, 1705.
Martha, Sept. 20, 1707.

4. **Joseph**, s. of Mathew (3), b. 1698; Lexington.

He m. Nov. 18, 1722, Abigail Cutler, dau. James, of Cambridge.

Ch.: Thomas, July 8, 1723 (5).
Abigail, Sept. 28, 1726.
Benjamin, Nov. 15, 1728, m. Anna —.
Joseph, May 9, 1731.
Jeremiah, Dec. 28, 1734; soldier at Lake George, 1756.
Melicent, April 16, 1738, d. July 24, 1753.

5. **Thomas**, s. of Joseph (4), b. in Lexington, 1723; rem. to Spencer, 1744; of Shutesbury, 1771 to 1795.

He m. 1745, Mary Harrington, of Brookfield.

Ch.: Thomas, Oct. 3, 1746, m. April 21, 1768, Elizabeth Jones.
George, Feb. 8, 1748.
Jane, June 18, 1752.
Joseph, 1754 (6).
Amos, June 26, 1755.
Mary, April 10, 1757.
Melicent, May 14, 1761.
Jesse, Jan. 13, 1763.
Esther, Nov. 4, 1764.

6. **Joseph**, s. of Thomas (5), b. 1754; soldier of '76; d. in Nfd., 1831.

He m. Sarah Crosset, of New Salem. She d. abt. 1822.

Ch.: Joseph (7).
Isaac C. (8).
Prob. Polly, who m. Feb. 18, 1819, David Clarke.
Prob. Patience, who m. July 2, 1806, Abner Jennings.
Prob. Abigail, who m. Jan. 26, 1808, Samuel Collar.

7. **Joseph**, s. of Joseph (6); sol. 1812; rem. to Nhn.; killed by falling from load of hay.

He m. Fanny —, who d. May 31, 1832.

Ch.: Wells F., June 18, 1807, d. April 26, 1832.
Caroline, Nov. 15, 1808; res. in Wilbraham.
Juda, July 6, 1810.
Lucy, Feb. 18, 1812.
Milla C., May 16, 1814.
Charlotte E., May 16, 1816.
Persis L., Sept. 15, 1818, m. — Fowle. (2), Austin H. Buxton, of Springfield.
Joseph A., Aug. 26, 1820; went west.
George W., Aug. 16, 1822; sett. in Rockville, Ct.
Thomas C., Nov. 6, 1824, d. May 18, 1825.
Thomas C., June 5, 1826; sett. in Thompsonville, Ct.
Rebecca C., June 3, 1828, m. Henry Stiles.

8. **Isaac C.**, s. of Joseph (6); rem. to Ware village.

He m. Sept. 29, 1811, Susan Davis, of Warwick.

Ch.: Jonathan D., Sept. 10, 1812; Methodist minister.
Amos C., Sept. 25, 1814; sett. in Spfd.
Benjamin B., May 26, 1816; sett. in East Brookfield.
Susan G., April 18, 1818, m. Enoch Spencer.
John W., Aug. 19, 1820; Advent minister; Lawrence.
Henry M., Aug. 23, 1823; Cong. minister; sett. in Colbrook, N. H.
Joseph M., Oct. 11, 1825; sett. in Flushing, L. I.
Jesse, June 21, 1827; sett. in Warwick.
Elvira R., March 15, 1829, d. unm.
Adeline, m. Upham, West Brookfield.

BRIGGS, Abisha.
He m. Elizabeth Kendrick, Oct. 12, 1823.

BRIGGS, Abraham.
He m. March 5, 1788, Dorotha Oliver.

BRIGGS, Asa, 1794, d. June 7, 1797, a. 25.
He m. May 9, 1797, Submit, dau. Eliezer Stratton. She m. (2), March 10, 1799, William Maltby, Esq., of Vershire, Vt.

BRIGGS, Simeon, 1800.

BRIGGS, Zadock, 1801.

BRIGHAM, Sardis, 1808–17.

BRIGHAM, Seth, 1802.

1. BRIDGMAN, James, Hart., 1641; Spfd., 1645; Nhn., 1654; d. March, 1676.

He m. Sarah —, who d. Aug. 31, 1688.

Ch.: Sarah, m. May 3, 1659, Timothy Tilston, of Dorchester.
John, July 7, 1645 (2).
Thomas, Jan. 14, 1647.
Martha, Nov. 20, 1649, m. June 14, 1668, Samuel Dickinson, Hatfield.
Mary, July 5, 1652, m. April 29, 1672, Samuel Bartlett.
James, May 30, 1655, d. Jan. 14, 1656.
Patience, June, 1656, d. Feb., 1657.
Hezekiah, June, 1658, d. Mch. 30, 1659–60.

2. John, s. of James (1), b. 1645; of Nhn.; d. April 7, 1712.

He m. Dec. 11, 1670, Mercy, dau. Isaac Sheldon, of Nhn.; d. April 28, 1728.

Ch.: Mary, March 15, 1671–2, m. 1691, Judah Hutchison.
Child, Dec. 23, 1673, d. unbaptized.
John, Oct. 20, 1675; soldier at Dfd., Feb. 29, 1704; he was taken, but escaped the same day, with the loss of one finger, which was wantonly cut off by an Indian.
Deliverance, March 17, 1676.
James, 1677, m. July 13, 1704, Elizabeth Allis. In the Med. fight at Dfd., 1704.
Isaac, Nov. 29, 1680.
Sarah, 1682, m. Feb. 12, 1701–2, John Chapin.
Ruth, Aug. 29, 1684, d. Sept. 16, 1690.
Ebenezer, Feb. 4, 1686, m. June 14, 1709, Mary Parsons.
Thomas, Jan. 7, 1688.
Martha, Aug. 13, 1690, m. March 23, 1713, Hezekiah Root.
Hannah, Oct. 24, 1693, m. 1716 (?) John Bancroft, of Westfield.
Dorothy, 1697, d. 1705.
Orlando, Sept. 18, 1701 (3).

3. Orlando, s. of John (2), b. 1701; a garrison sol. at Nfd., 1722, and remained there until after the death of his wife, when he returned to Nhn.; was there 1730, but was at Fort Dummer, 1733–5. Built Bridgman's fort, 1740; ensign, 1742; was in command of a scout, hunting Indians with dogs, 1746; dis. from the church in Nfd., to "lie in the foundations of the church, at Hinsdale," Aug. 14, 1763. He took an active part in the border struggles with the Indians, and his fort was twice burned by the enemy. He d. June 4, 1771.

He m. Mary —, who d. at Nfd., Dec. 3, 1726. (2), Martha —, who d. at Hins., April 3, 1766, a 67.

Ch.: John, Sept. 10, 1734; judge; an active partizan for New York, in New Hampshire Grant troubles, as were also his brothers; he m. Ruth —, who d. June 1, 1795, a. 57. He m. (2), Rebecca —. She d. April 20, 1837, a. 84.

Thomas, grad. H. C., 1762; lawyer; justice Inferior Court Common Pleas, 1768; d. 1771.
Orlando, captain in 1788; a leading man in Hinsdale.

BRINE, John, Nfd., 1788.

BROOKS, Justus, Nfd., 1818.

1. BROOKS, William, b. 1610; came from London to Va., 1635; was at Spfd. 1653; of Dfd., 1686, where he d. Dec. 30, 1688.

He m. Oct. 18, 1654, Mary, dau. Henry Burt. She d. Aug. 30, 1689.

Ch.: Remembrance, m. Jan. 17, 1674, Jas. Brown, of Springfield and Deerfield.
William, Aug. 18, 1655, killed by Indians at Westfield, Oct. 27, 1675.
John, Feb. 10, 1656–7, killed with William.
Sarah, May 4, 1658, m. July 11, 1678, Jonathan Taylor, Jr.
Mary, Dec. 21, 1659.
Patience, June 5, 1661, *ought* to have m. John Taylor abt. 1680, and prob. did.
Ebenezer, Dec. 21, 1662, sett. in Dfd.; m. Elizabeth, dau. Daniel Belding.
Nathaniel, May 9, 1664, m. Mary —, and sett. in Dfd., where he was cap. 1704, with wife and two ch. She was killed on the march, to Canada; he ret. with Ens. John Sheldon, 1707; the ch. were never recovered.
Abigail, Jan. 25, 1665, m. Dec. 10, 1685, Samuel Stebbins, a widower. She was a widow, 1720.
Joseph, Oct. 17, 1667 (2).
Mercy, Aug. 25, 1669, m. 1690, Samuel Carter, and d. 1701.
Benjamin July 25, 1671, a sol. in Ralle's war, from Springfield.
Deliverance, Feb. 23, 1672, m. Dec. 4, 1708, wid. Mary Brooks, or Burt; sett. in Brimfield.
Thankful, Feb. 23, 1672, d. young.
Jonathan, Oct. 13, 1674, sol. at Dfd., 1698; of Sfd. 1701; of Long Island 1725.
Mary, July 7, 1677.
Thankful, Sept. 19, 1679, m. 1699, Josiah Church.

2. Joseph, s. of William (1), b. 1667; of Dfd. 1692; in the Med. fight, 1704; of Nfd. 1737; d. 1743.

He m. Dec. 29, 1698, Lydia, dau. Isaac Warner, of Nfd. and Dfd.

Ch.: Mary, Feb. 14, 1704, d. in Nfd. June 10, 1775, "some over 60." [*Ch. rec.*]
Lydia, Nov. 26, 1706, m. Ebenezer Warner.
Silence, Sept. 7, 1707, m. June 7, 1720, Edmund Grandy.
Abigail, Oct. 15, 1708.
Hannah, July 15, 1710.
Joseph, Feb. 3, 1714 (3).
Sarah, March 4, 1715–6, m. March 27, 1754, John Beaman; his 2d wife.
Benjamin, Feb. 26, 1717–8 (4).
Ruth, June 20, 1720, d. April 10, 1721.
Daniel, March 25, 1722 (5).

3. Joseph, s. of Joseph (2), b. 1714; storekeeper; rem. to Hadley.

He m. Dec. 22, 1748, Miriam Wright. She m. (2), July 7, 1768, Jona. Sprague, of Gfd.

Ch.: Tirza, Feb. 10, 1754.
Uri (son), July 8, 1759.
Miriam, Feb. 9, 1761.

4. Benjamin, s. of Joseph (2), b. 1718; soldier, 1747–1756; d. June 15, 1786.

He m. Mary, dau. Benjamin Miller.

Ch.: Lydia, Nov. 11, 1750.
Benjamin, July 12, 1752.
Mary, March 2, 1754, m. June 1, 1775, Joseph Fuller.
Cephas, Jan. 10, 1755.
Thadeus, Sept. 16, 1756, at Burgoyne's sur.; at West Point, 1780.
Alpheus, May 18, 1758, at Burgoyne's sur.; at New London, 1779; West Point, 1780.
Ruth, Jan. 6, 1760.
Annis, Nov. 28, 1760.
Lebeus, May 2, 1762.
Jerusha, Feb. 16, 1765.
Persis, Oct. 22, 1766.
Joseph, July 13, 1769.
Elnathan, bapt. June 19, 1774, d. Aug. 16, 1774.

5. Daniel, s. of Joseph (2), b. 1722; soldier, 1740–1756.
He m. Sept. 19, 1754, Mary Wright.

Ch.: Euselia, Sept. 4, 1755, d. Dec. 23, 1756.
Submit, Dec. 9, 1756.
Daniel, March 22, 1759, m. Aug. 27, 1789, Laura, dau. Noah Morgan; rem. to Gill.

BROWN, John; prob. s. of James, of Dfd.; b. 1695.
He m. Nov. 28, 1795, Hannah, dau. Benjamin Janes.

Ch.: John, April 5, 1726.
Benjamin, Oct. 14, 1727.
Silas, June 21, 1729.
Eunice, Dec. 17, 1730.
Hannah, Nov. 2, 1732.
Lois, Aug. 14, 1734, m. Gideon Shattuck.
Rufus, July 5, 1736; soldier, 1757.

BROWN, Walter, 1807.

BUCKINGHAM, Edgar, 1832; H. C., 1831; teacher in the Academy.

BURNETT, Archibald, 1778–80.

BURNETT, William, 1779–80.

BURNHAM, Moses, 1788.

BURR, Samuel; Hart., 1736; at Fort Dummer, 1736–40; Hins., 1749.
He m. Sarah —.

Ch.: Jonathan, July 7, 1739.
Samuel, April 23, 1741.
Sarah, June 7, 1743.
Nathan, Sept. 9, 1745, d. Aug. 1756.
Joseph, June 3, 1750.
Zebulon, June 13, 1752.

1. BURT, Henry, b. in England; Roxbury, 1639; Spfd. 1640, "clerk of the band;" 1648, "clerk of the Writs;" d. April 30, 1662.
He m. Ulalia —, who d. Aug. 29, 1690.

Ch.: Jonathan, abt. 1632, m. 1651, Elizabeth Lobdell, at Boston.
David (2).
Nathaniel, m. 1663, Rebecca Sikes. (2), Jan. 8, 1700, Mary Ferry; he d. Sept. 29, 1720.
Abigail, m. 1664, Francis Ball. (2), 1649, Benjamin Munn. (3), 1676, Lt. Thos. Stebbins.
Mary, m. 1654, William Brooks.
Elizabeth, m. Nov. 24, 1653, Samuel Wright, Jr.
Sarah, m. 1643, Judah Gregory. (2), Henry Wakely.
Patience, Aug. 18, 1645, m. Oct. 7, 1667, John Bliss.
Mercy, Sept. 27, 1647, m. Jan. 8, 1667, Judah Wright.
Hannah, m. 1659, John Bagg.
Dorcas, m. Oct. 28, 1658, John Stiles.

2. David, s. of Henry (1); a first settler at Nhn.; d. Sept. 9, 1690.
He m. Nov. 18, 1655, Mary, dau. William Holton. She m. (2), Joseph Root, and d. 1718.

Ch.: David, July 30, 1656, "killed by a cart," Aug. 30, 1660.
Jonathan, May 1, 1658, d. 1662.
Henry, Aug. 20, 1660, m. 1684, Elizabeth, dau. Alexander Alvord; d. Sept. 26, 1735.
Mary, March 18, 1663, d. 1666.
Sarah, May 2, 1665, m. 1688, Robert Porter, and d. 1689.
Hannah, Sept. 2, 1667, d. young.
David, Aug. 25, 1669, cap. by Indians, at Schenectady, Feb. 9, 1690; never ret.
Jonathan, Sept. 5, 1671, m. June 2, 1696, Mindwell, dau. Capt. John Taylor.
Joseph, Sept. 26, 1673 (3).
Mary, May 3, 1676, m. Feb. 14, 1706, Dr. Thomas Hastings, and (2), May 13, 1713, Samuel Belding, Hatfield.
Ruth, April, 1678, m. 1710, Nehemiah Allen.
Benjamin, Nov. 17, 1680, m. 1702, Sarah Belding; sett. at Deerfield.
John, April 29, 1682, killed, while on a scout towards Canada, May, 1709.

3. Joseph, s. of David (2), b. 1673; cordwainer; sett. in Hfd., but

rem. abt. 1719 to Nfd., where he took a prominent place in town affairs, and held a large estate; d. Jan. 13, 1759.

He m. April 16, 1702, Sarah, dau. John Cowles, of Hfd. She d. May 21, 1772, a. 91.

Ch.: Sarah, March 25, 1703.
Esther, Jan. 9, 1704–5, m. Dec. 14, 1725, Benjamin Knights.
Mary, Feb. 8, 1706–7, d. Nov. 26, 1722.
John, Aug. 26, 1709, d. Dec. 1, 1759.
Prob. Eleazer, who was at Nfd., 1762.
Miriam, Sept. 2, 1713.
Asahel, Aug. 31, 1715 (4).
Aaron, Sept. 17, 1717 (5).

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4. **Asahel**, s. of Joseph (3), b. 1715; killed by Indians at Pochaug Hill, with Benoni Dickinson, April 15, 1747. [*See ante*, p. 250.]

He m. Martha —.

Ch.: Joseph, Dec. 17, 1738, m. Oct. 21, 1764, Mary Burt; rem. to Westmoreland, N. H.
Benjamin, May 10, 1740, m. Elizabeth, dau. Dea. Samuel Root. (2), Mary —, who d. Dec. 18, 1831, a. 91; was judge; sett. in Westminster, Vt.; d. at Bellows Falls, June 10, 1835.
Reuben, Jan. 11, 1742, d. Dec. 9, 1756.
Susanna, March 11, 1744, d. Nov. 3, 1754.
Enos, Sept. 4, 1745.

5. **Aaron**, s. of Joseph (3), b. 1717; merchant, 1744–54; alive 1781.

He m. Mirriam —.

Ch.: David, April 1, 1741.
Jonathan, Sept. 3, 1742 (6).
Sarah, Feb. 26, 1744, d. Aug. 9, 1745.
Mary, Nov. 11, 1746, d. July 13, 1747.
Mary, June 21, 1748.
Hannah, Nov. 9, 1750.
Ruth, Jan. 21, 1753, m. April 21, 1772, Nathan Fisk.
Asahel, April 21, 1755, an early sett. of Kirby, Vt.
Moses, } Feb. 18, } of Northfield, 1784.
Aaron, } 1759, }
Mirriam, Nov. 15, 1761.
John, Feb. 12, 1764, m. Feb. 16, 1782, Susan Fairbanks, who d. May 5, 1789, a. 28.

6. **Jonathan**, s. of Aaron (5), b. 1742; rem. to Walpole, N. H.

He m. abt. 1767, Thankful —.

Ch.: David, Sept. 4, 1768.

Amasa, per. s. of Asahel (4), rem. to Winch.

He m. May, 1767, Annaretta, dau. Moses Belding.

Ch.: Susanna, bapt. July 2, 1770.
Amasa, bapt. Jan. 12, 1772, m. Feb. 9, 1796, Lucia Taylor; sett. in Hins.
Francis Bernard, May 8, 1774.
Annaretta, June 16, 1776, d. Oct. 9, 1776.
Jonathan, Feb. 1, 1778.
Simeon, June 18, 1779.
Annaretta, July 7, 1782.
Experience, Oct. 24, 1784.
Rufus, April 29, 1787, m. Abigail —, who d. April 7, 1852, a. 55; he d. May 21, 1870.
Betsey, July 26, 1789.
Calvin, March, 1792, d. Nov. 17, 1794.

BURTON, Benjamin, 1800.

BURROWS, John, Mr., 1790–2.

BUSS, Zephaniah, s. of John, 1786.

He m. Dec. 23, 1790, Arathusa, dau. Ebenezer Severance. She d. Jan. 19, 1793.

BUTLER, Miner, 1814.

1. CALDWELL, **John**, 1795; from Londonderry, N. H.; d. Nov. 15, 1840, a. 84.

He m. Elizabeth Swan, who d. Jan. 24, 1819, a. 59. (2) Martha Green. She d. May 21, 1838, a. 60.

Ch.: John, 1783 (2).
James, Aug., 1786 (3).
Moses, July 5, 1791 (4).
Betsey, 1792, m. Moses Mallory. (2), Joab Fairman.
Hannah, 1793, m. Nov. 9, 1806, Parmenas Temple, of Bernardston.
Rufus, Oct. 15, 1797 (5).
Samuel, Oct. 16, 1800, d. Feb. 7, 1822.

2. **John**, s. of John (1), b. 1783; d. June 4, 1860.

He m. Polly French. She d. Jan. 23, 1849, a. 63.

Ch.: Alvira, Aug. 25, 1807.
Ursula, Aug. 24, 1808, m. Daniel Pierce, Swansey, N. H.
John S., April 28, 1810, m. Charlotte Guellow.
James D., Feb. 8, 1814, m. Amelia Chase.
Otis S., Sept. 10, 1816, m. Samantha Phillips.
Mary, July 20, 1821, m. Dr. Noyes Barstow, of Leyden.
Charles B., Jan., 1824, m. Mary Young.

3. **James**, s. of John (1), b. 1786; d. Oct. 6, 1867.

He m. Lovina French. She d. Sept. 15, 1865, a. 69.

Ch.: Hetsel Swan, April 10, 1820, m. Mary Pierce.
James N., Aug. 18, 1825, m. Aug. 15, 1854, Harriet Sawyer.
William F., Sept. 3, 1827, m. Sarah Wilds. (2), wid. Theresa Wilson.

4. **Moses**, s. of John (1), b. 1791; alive 1874.

He m. Lucina Fairman, dau. John; alive 1874.

Ch.: Lucinda E., Aug. 25, 1819.
Lovina, March 11, 1821, d. Nov. 29, 1821.
Gratia M., Nov. 7, 1822, m. Nahum Adams, of Greenfield.
Moses S., Sept. 18, 1824, m. Betsey Holton. (2), Anna Green.

5. **Rufus**, s. of John (1), b. 1797, d. Jan. 17, 1849.

He m. Jan, 1828, Lucinda, dau. Ichabod King.

Ch.: Rufus K., April 2, 1829, m. Almeda, dau. Henry Bascom.
Harriet L., Jan. 16, 1831, m. Jan., 1854, Dr. E. P. Burton.
Hannah M., Feb. 19, 1833, m. Dec., 1856, Henry Parker, of Holden.
Susan M., May 25, 1835, m. Jan. 27, 1857, Dwight S. Priest, of Vernon.
Julia A., Nov. 28, 1837, m. Dec., 1859, Charles Willard.
John W., April 17, 1841; res. in N. York city.

1. CALLENDER, **Eleazer**, Boston.

He m. June 24, 1740, Susanna Hillar, wid. of James Bound.

Ch.: Eleazer, March 14, 1741.
Priscilla, Jan. 22, 1742, d. May, 1752.
Benjamin, Aug. 27, 1745 (2).
John, Sept. 19, 1747.
Elizabeth, May 23, 1749.
Joseph, May 6, 1751.
Thomas, July 1, 1754.
Susannah, Nov. 21, 1756.
Elisha, Feb. 26, 1759.

2. **Benjamin**, s. of Eleazer (1), b. 1745; Nfd. 179–; d. in Boston, March 10, 1828.

He m. Abigail Belcher. (2), Eunice Franklin, of Boston.

Ch.: Benjamin, March 16, 1773 (3).
Child, 1776.
Abigail, 1778, d. Sept., 1778.
Joseph, July 9, 1779 (4).
Richard B., Oct. 10, 1780, d. May 17, 1785.
Abigail, Feb. 3, 1781, d. May, 1840.
William, 1783, d. Nov., 1860.
Eunice, d. 1848.
Nathaniel.
Susan.
George.

3. Benjamin, s. of Benj. (2), b. 1773; rem. to Nfd. 1798; merchant and engraver; prominent in town affairs; d. Feb. 22, 1856.

He m. Nov. 17, 1798, Sally Laughton; b. in Boston, d. March 30, 1853, a. 80.

Ch.: Hannah, Oct. 1, 1799, m. Jan. 29, 1821, Erastus Field.
Daniel L., Nov. 3, 1800 (5).
Charles A., Sept. 5, 1802 (6).
Sarah, Jan. 17, 1806.
Elizabeth, Jan. 1, 1809, m. Dec. 6, 1830, William Pomeroy.

4. Joseph, s. of Benjamin (2), b. 1779; seaman; commanded two of the first regular line of sailing packets, built to run between Boston and Liverpool, which consisted of the Emerald, the Topaz, and the Sapphire; he commanded a privateer in the war of 1812; was for a few years in the custom house at Charleston, S. C.; d. in Boston, March 6, 1839.

He m. June 6, 1818, Ann C. Hippins, of Charlestown, who d. June 5, 1834.

Ch.: Ann Eliza, Feb. 17, 1820, d. June 26, 1821.
Ann Eliza, Dec. 27, 1821, m. Charles B. Hunting, of Boston.
Joseph B., Aug. 25, 1825 (7).
William H., May 25, 1828, d. in Madras, India, Feb. 6, 1855.
George B., Sept. 18, 1829, d. Aug. 22, 1831.
Sarah M., Nov. 3, 1831, m. Charles M. Smith, of Charleston, S. C.

5. Daniel L., s. of Benj. (3), b. 1800; Nfd.; merchant; P. M.; town clerk; was 4 years in custom house, Boston; d. s. p., Sept. 7, 1864.

He m. 1838, Lucretia F., dau. James O. Janes.

6. Charles A., s. of Benj. (3), b. 1802, d. Jan. 7, 1834.

He m. Jan. 21, 1827, Adeline Webb, of Rockingham, N. H. She d. Feb., 1870.

Ch.: Mary A., June 6, 1828, m. Jan. 13, 1864, Charles B. Cook, of Charlotte, Vt.

7. Joseph B., s. of Joseph (4), b. 1825; rem. from Boston to Nfd., 1861.

He m. June 26, 1850, Elizabeth, dau. Erastus Field.

Ch.: William F., July 11, 1851.
Thomas R., Nov. 19, 1854.
George B., Oct. 5, 1857.
Edith, Oct. 19, 1862.
Auther D., Sept. 18, 1864.

CAREY, Richard, Ber., 1753; Gfd., 1759; Nfd., 1760; was at Newbury, N. H., 1765; but soon ret. to Nfd.; a sol. on frontier service, 1755–58.

He m. June 19, 1759, Mary Frizzell, of Fall Town.

Ch.: Dorothy, bapt. Aug. 24, 1760.
Lydia, bapt. Nov. 7, 1763.
Patience, bapt. Feb. 15, 1767, d. young.
Patience, bapt. Aug. 8, 1773.
Huldah, bapt. May 14, 1775.

CAREY, Seth, 1766; from Gfd.; rem. to Brandon, Vt.; d. before 1809.

He m. Nov. 24, 1768, Abigail, dau. Capt. Wm. Holton. She d. in Gill before 1809.

Ch.: Joseph, bapt. Nov. 5, 1769, d. young.
Elihu, bapt. Aug. 4, 1771, of Brandon, 1809.
Seth, bapt. Aug. 22, 1773, of Brandon, 1809.
Violet, bapt. April 30, 1775, d. before 1809.
Nabby, bapt. May 4, 1777, m. Nathan Bigelow, of Brandon.
Azubah, bapt. Feb. 20, 1780, m. Bela Dudly, of Brandon.
Hannah, bapt. June 17, 1781, d. bef. 1809.
Joseph, bapt. Aug. 3, 1783, of Brandon, 1809.
Levi, bapt. March 7, 1788, of Brandon, 1809.
Rhoda, bapt. Feb. 9, 1791.
Tarza, m. Samuel Smith, of Brandon.

CARR, William, 1750–54.

CARRIER, Philip, 1797–9.

CARTER, Benjamin; set off to Gill, 1795.

CARTER, Thomas, 1804.

CARVER, Jonathan; captain; b. in Canterbury, Conn., 1730; Nfd. 1753. Moses Field gave him credit for making 20 pairs of shoes in 1754; he was a sol. under Capt. Elijah Williams, 1755, and taken prisoner Aug. 9, at the fall of Fort William Henry; was serving under Maj. John Hawks, in 1758; a lieutenant under Capt. Selah Barnard, at Crown Point, Oct. 12, 1759; he commanded a company in later expeditions. Soon after the close of the war, he commenced his explorations of the great West, and spent four or five years in examining the country about Lake Superior, and the head waters of the Mississippi. He left Boston for England, in 1768, where his book of travels was published, in 1778. He failed to derive a support from this, and died in poverty, at London, Jan. 31, 1780.

CARVER, Rufus, b. in Montague, Dec. 13, 1755; a minute man at Nfd., 1775; marched to Lexington under Lieut. Ebenezer Janes, on the news of the fighting there; in May, he enlisted under Capt Elihu Smith, for eight months; was in the battle of Bunker Hill, under Gen. Putnam; on the alarm from the northern invasion, 1777, he marched under Capt. Wright, to Bennington, where he arrived two days after the battle; the same year served three months at Danbury, Ct., being drafted. After the war, he lived in Mont. and Dfd., and abt. 1797 rem. to Brandon, Vt.; after 1832 he rem. to Sodus, N. Y., where he lived, 1837, with a son and son-in-law.

CASS, Samuel, 1808.

CASWELL, John, 1796.

CASWELL, Zebediah, 1796–7.

1. CHAMBERLAIN, Joseph, a sol. at Had., in Philip's war; sett. in Hatfield, but rem. to Colchester, Ct., where he kept a tavern. The general court of Ct. allowed him in March, 1712, "£1 13s. for entertaining the French embassadors in their journey to and from New London, in March, 1711." In 1714, he presented another bill of 14s. 5d., "for Lt. Crocker's expenses, 1712." He d. Aug. 7, 1752, a. 87. He m. June 8, 1688, Mercy, dau. John Dickinson, of Had. She d. June 30, 1755.

Ch.: Prob. Joseph, who m. Dec. 26, 1720, Lydia, dau. Joseph Smith, Had.; and was of Northfield, 1731–41.
Nathaniel, abt. 1689 (2).
Sarah, Nov. 2, 1690, d. young.
Sarah, March 10, 1693.
Prob. Ephraim (3).
Prob. Richard (4).
John, per. the first sett. of Thetford, Vt., 1764.

2. Nathaniel, s. of Joseph (1), b. 1689; sol. at Fort Dum.; was cap. by the Indians Sept. 25, 1725, while on a scout to the westward; was of Nfd.

1728; of Winch. 1743; Dfd. 1744; Fall Town 1748; Nfd. 1755; d. Nov. 7, 1780. "Left a good name behind him." [*Ch. Rec.*]

He m. Elizabeth —.

Ch.: Mary, July 13, 1727.
Sarah, m. Moses Belding.
Nathaniel, d. at Dfd., Aug. 22, 1745.
Elizabeth; Richard.
Order of birth unknown.

3. **Ephraim**, s. of Joseph (1); blacksmith; Nfd. 1730; d. before 1750.

He m. 1733, Anna, dau. Theopolis Merriman. She m. (2), abt. 1750, Benj. Rice. She d. July 7, 1778.

Ch.: Lydia, Feb. 17, 1733–4, m. Alexander Norton.
Sarah, Dec. 17, 1735, m. Ambrose Ward, of New Haven, Ct.
Theopolis, Oct. 20, 1737; sol. in French war; of Nova Scotia, 1792.
Anna, m. 1758, Thomas Stebbins. (2), Reuben Frizzell, of Bernardston.
Ephraim, of Southwick, Ct., 1785.
Samuel, of Middletown, Ct., 1785.

4. **Richard**, prob. s. of Joseph (1); Nfd. 1731–53; of Hins. 1755; rem. to Newbury, 1762.

He m. Abigail —.

Ch.: Abigail, Aug. 28, 1736.
Joseph, March 18, 1737–8; sol. under Capt. John Catlin, 1757–8.
Abiel, Nov. 22, 1739; sett. in Newbery, Vt.
Uriah, Feb. 28, 1741–2.
Eri, June 24, 1744, m. March 10, 1785, Mary Wright; sett. in Newbery.
Nathaniel, May 5, 1746.
Benjamin, Dec. 15, 1747.
Rebecca, March 13, 1749.
Louisa, Dec. 25, 1751.
Silas, Jan. 19, 1754.
Richard, bapt. Nov. 2, 1755.
Martha, bapt. April 16, 1758.
Eri, bapt. Feb. 22, 1761.

CHAMPLAIN, **Susanna**; m. March 22, 1801, Clark Cutler.

CHAMPLAIN, **Thomas**, 1706, 1801.

CHAMPNEY, **Joshua**, 1807.

He m. Abigail —.

Ch.: Joshua, Aug. 11, 1808.

CHAPIN, **Caleb**, 1749; sett. in Bernardston.

He m. Jan. 4, 1726–7, Katherine Dickinson.

1. CHAPIN, **Samuel**, Roxbury, 1638; freeman at Boston, 1640; rem. to Spfd. 1642; was appointed a magistrate 1652, on the occasion of the return of William Pynchon to England; one of the com. appointed 1654, to settle the plantation of Norwottuck; deacon; and often "chosen to carry on the work of the Sabbath," in the absence of a minister; and for a generation was one of the leading spirits in the town; d. Nov. 11, 1675.

He m. in England, Cicely —, or Sisily, as spelled on record; d. Feb. 8, 1683.

Ch.: Catherine, m. Nov. 20, 1646, Nathaniel Bliss. (2), June 30, 1655, Thomas Gilbert. (3), Dec. 8, 1664, Samuel Marshfield; she d. Feb. 4, 1712.
Sarah, m. Apr. 14, 1647, Rowland Thomas.
David, m. Aug. 29, 1654, Lydia Crump, at Boston.
Josiah, m. Nov., 1658, Mary King, of Weymouth. (2), Sept. 20, 1676, Lydia Brown, of Ipswich. (3), June 22, 1713, Mehitable Metcalf, of Dedham. He had 15 ch.; lived in Braintree and Mendon.
Henry, m. Dec. 15, 1664, Bethia, dau. Benjamin Cooley; sett. in Chicopee.
Japhet, Oct. 15, 1642 (2).
Hannah, Dec. 2, 1644, m. Sept. 27, 1666, John Hitchcock.

2. Japhet, s. of Samuel (1), b. 1642; of Milford, Ct., 1669, but soon rem. to Spfd., and sett. on Chicopee river. The following from an old acct. book in the family is in his hand writing: "I went out volunteare against ingens the 17th of May, 1676, and we ingaged batel the 19th of May in the morning before sunrise and made great Spoil upon the enemy and came off the same day with the Loss of 37 men and the Captin Turner, and came home the 20th of May;" he d. Feb. 20, 1712.

He m. July 22, 1664, Abeline, dau. Benj. Cooley. She d. Nov. 17, 1710. (2), May 31, 1711, Dorothy Root, of Enfield, Ct. She m. (2), 1720, Obadiah Miller, of Enfield.

Ch.: Samuel, July 4, 1665, m. Dec. 24, 1690, Hannah, dau. Isaac Sheldon, of Northampton.
Sarah, March 16, 1668, m. March 24, 1690, Nathaniel Munn.
Thomas, May 10, 1671 (3).
John, May 14, 1674, m. Feb. 15, 1702, Sarah, dau. John Bridgman, of Nhn.
Prob. Mary, m. Jan. 24, 1694-5, Benjamin Wright.
Ebenezer, June 26, 1677, m. Dec. 1, 1702, Ruth, dau. Abel Janes, of Northampton.
Hannah, June 21, 1679, d. July 7, 1679.
Hannah, July 18, 1680, m. Dec. 3, 1703, John Sheldon, of Dfd. They were living with his father, in the "Old Indian House," when Dfd. was attacked, Feb. 29, 1704. She was cap. and taken to Canada. As far as known, Hannah was the first of the Dfd. captives to be redeemed. She was at Spfd. June 12, 1705, and was prob. brought back by Ens. John Sheldon, her father-in-law, who is known to have been in Quebec, in April of that year. She m. (2), abt. 1718, Lieut. Timothy Childs, of Deerfield.
David, Nov. 16, 1682, m. Nov. 21, 1705, Sarah, dau. Joseph Stebbins. (2), Mindwell, wid. of Thomas Holton, dau. of Samuel Allen, of Northampton.
Jonathan, Feb. 20, 1685, d. March 1, 1686.
Jonathan, Sept. 23, 1688, m. April 20, 1711, Elizabeth, dau. Jonathan Burt.

3. Thomas, s. of Japhet (2,) b. 1671; Spfd.; d. Aug. 27, 1755.
He m. Sarah Wright. She d. July 26, 1770, a. 98.

Ch.: Thomas, Jan. 2, 1694, m. March 19, 1720, Jerusha Jones, of Sunderland; sett. in Belchertown.
Japhet, March 16, 1697 (4).
Abel, Jan. 28, 1700, m. Jan. 9, 1720, Hannah, dau. Luther Hitchcock. He kept a hotel in Chicopee street; d. May 3. 1772.
Shem, Feb. 3, 1702, m. 1753, wid. Anna Clark; sett. in Ludlow.
Martha, Dec. 5, 1704, m. Oct. 20, 1740, Samuel Wells, of Hfd. She d. July 8, 1801, a. 97.
Esther, Dec. 5, 1704, m. Oct. 22, 1747, Noah Cook, of Had. (2), Dea. Nath'l Horton, Somers, Ct.
Sarah, Feb. 18, 1708, m. May 17, 1753, Luke Parsons, of Somers.
Nathaniel, Aug. 9, 1711, m. Sarah, dau. Thomas Abbee, of Enfield, Ct.; he d. in the expedition to Louisburg, 1745.
Bathsheba, Dec. 19, 1713, m. April 2, 1745, Jacob Hitchcock. (2), Dr. Lamberton Cooper, of Agawam.
Jabez, April 3, 1716, d. in four days.
Deborah, Oct. 31, 1719, m. April 30, 1740, Eleazer Frary, of Hatfield.

4. Japhet, s. of Thomas (3), b. 1697; of Nfd. 1722; served through Ralle's war, under Capt. Kellogg; rem. to Chicopee, where he became a leading man in church and town affairs, and was particularly noted for his habits of punctuality; d. Feb. 8, 1786.

He m. May 26, 1726, Thankful, dau. Nathaniel Dickinson, of Hfd. and Nfd She d. March 17, 1773. (2), Oct. 28, 1778, Lydia (Todd), wid. of Rev. Benj. Doolittle, and Jona. Belding.

The account of this marriage, and the notice of Madam Doolittle, which follow, were furnished by Miss Mary Montague, of Granby, a great-granddaughter of the youthful pair: "Madam Belding was then living with her dau. Lucy, wife of Simeon Chapin, a son of the bridegroom, who, also, lived in the same family. The children on coming home from school, one day, were told that granther and granny were about to be married; they did not understand what this meant, and as children in those days 'mustn't ask questions,' they proceeded at once to make an independent investigation of affairs; they found granny up chamber, where their mother was tying a purple ribbon on to her best cap, while granther was found sitting in state in the square room below, where he was soon joined by the minister. The children had a dim idea that to be married the two must be together, so they silently seated themselves near their grand-father, to wait the course of events. In due time they had their reward. As the ceremony proceeded, the minister requested the bride to take off her glove, which, as was then the fashion, reached above the elbow; one of the little girls, about six or eight years old, unexpectedly, but with unconscious grace, stepped forward and took it from her hand. When the proper time came to replace the glove, she promptly arose and handed it back. By this means she got the name of 'Little brides-maid.'

"At the date of this marriage, Mr. Chapin was 82 years old, and Mrs. Belding 80. Yet they were so strong that they rode on horse back from Chicopee to Northfield, forty miles, without weariness. She, arrayed in a rich sky-blue camlet riding hood, made for the occasion, by his daughter Katherine. Parts of this garment are still in the possession of the writer.

"As an illustration of the sprightliness and forethought of Mrs. Chapin, then about 87, this anecdote is preserved in the family. Her husband in his last sickness, at times became partially delirious, and would then mistake her for Thankful, his first wife, and would so call her, and say he was sure Madam Doolittle was somewhere around, and beg that he might see her. She at once would go out and put on her best clothes, come in and be received as Madam Doolittle. When he was satisfied with the visit, she would resume her usual dress, and appear as Thankful, and hear his account of Madam Doolittle's visit.

"It is said that she possessed great mental, as well as physical ability, that she received an unusually refined culture, before her first marriage, and ever after had the privilege of that class of society, calculated to increase it. My impression, from what I have heard through those who were well acquainted with her, is, that her moral and religious character, was fully equal to her other attainments. She had been a school teacher before marriage, and in her old age she devoted much of her time to the instruction of her numerous grandchildren, retaining her faculties to the last. Her death, in her 92d year, was occasioned by a fall, while taking one of these children from a table upon which it had climbed."

After the death of Mr. Chapin, his widow returned to Northfield, where she was alwaya known as "Madam Doolittle," and the notice of her death, June 19, 1790, on the church records, is that of "Madam Doolittle." The matrimonial tastes of Mr. Chapin and Jona. Belding seem to have been much alike; their first wives were sisters, and their second, the same woman, Madam Doolittle.

Ch.: Thankful, Feb. 22, 1727, m. Gardner Kellogg, of Hadley.

Japhet, March 14, 1729, d. 1754.

Hapzibah, March 25, 1731, m. John Miller, of West Springfield.

Martha, May 12, 1733, m. Feb. 21, 1754, William Chapin, of Chicopee.

Nathan, Feb. 3, 1735, m. 1758, Mary Smith, of Huntstown, now Ashfield. He was a sergeant in the continental army, and cap. at Ticonderoga, July 5, 1777. Being sent, with some other prisoners, to cut grass at Crown Point, they got the guard drunk, and concluding they had rather do their haying at home, made their escape, and found their way there through the wilderness in safety.

Rhoda, April 19, 1737, m. John Day, of West Springfield.

Simeon, Aug. 20, 1739 (5).

Chloe, Dec. 27, 1741, d. July 29, 1771.
Katherine, Jan. 22, 1745, m. Daniel Sexton, of Somers, Ct.
Sarah, Jan. 14, 1747, m. Rev. Peletiah Chapin, of Windsor, Vt.

5. Simeon, s. of Japhet (4), b. 1739; Chicopee; lieutenant in the Rev. army; d. May 20, 1799.

He m. Aug. 20, 1765, Lucy, dau. Rev. Benj. Doolittle. She d. Sept. 2, 1824.

"She was a lady of cultivated mind, having good opportunity for improvement, both in her parents' and her husband's house. She taught school before marriage, became hopefully pious at 16, and acquired extensive religious knowledge. She was very useful in society, and especially among the sick; at her funeral her pastor said 'a mother in Israel had indeed fallen.'" [*Mary Montague.*]

Ch.: Roswell, April 16, 1767, m. Aseneth Chapin.
Lucy, Nov., 1768, m. 1787, Joseph Allen, of East Windsor, Ct.
Melinda, Oct. 2, 1770, m. John Montague, of Granby.
Simeon, Aug., 1772, d. 1776.
Thankful, Oct. 12, 1774, m. Bezaleel Chapin. (2), Elijah Torry.
Aseph, June, 1776, d. 1777.
Lydia, March 31, 1778, m. Robert Wright; they rem. from Chicopee to Jerico, Vt.
Sarah, June, 1779, d. 1780.
Simeon, June 22, 1781; captain; of Oswego, N. Y.; m. Dorcas Strong.
Sarah, Dec. 3, 1784, m. Towers Franklin. (2), Samuel Pomeroy, of Somers, Ct.

CHAPIN, Simeon, 1800.

CHASE, James, 1779–97.

CHASE, John, 1800.

CHENEY, Asahel, 1796–7; clock maker.

CHILDS, Ebenezer; soldier, 1812.

He m. Jan. 13, 1819, Hannah M., dau. Edward Nettleton.

Ch.: Joseph P., Sept. 18, 1823.
Nelson H., Sept. 8, 1825.
Ebenezer M., Aug. 23, 1827.
Marshal M., Jan. 24, 1829.

CHILDS, Jonathan, 1781–97; set off to Gill, 1795.

CHILDS, Oliver, 1788; set off to Gill, 1795.

CHILDS, William; tanner; from Gardner or Winchendon.

He m. Sally —.

Ch.: Rebecca, Oct. 31, 1800, d. Jan. 20, 1802.
William, Dec. 20, 1801, d. Dec. 30, 1801.
Caroline, Sept. 27, 1807.
Axah Fisk, Oct. 29, 1809.

1. CHINERY, GINERY, Lambert; Watertown; b. 1593; rem. Dedham, 1636; he d. Jan. 30, 1673–4.

He m. May 14, 1656, Thomasin Hews, who d. Jan. 2, 1669–70.

Ch.: Mary, Dec. 24, 1659.
John (2).

2. John, s. of Lambert (1), wounded at Nfd., Sept. 4, 1675, while serving under Capt. Beers; d. the next day. [*See ante*, p. 76.]

He m. March 12, 1655–6, Sarah Boylston, wid. of Thomas, of Watertown. She d. Sept. 14, 1704.

Ch.: John, Dec. 7, 1657.

3. John, s. of John (2); freeman; 1690.
He m. June 4, 1684, Elizabeth Stratton.

CLARK, Dexter, 1806.

CLARK, Hosea, 1814.

CLARK, Joseph, 1781.

CLARK, Samuel, 1796.

1. CLARY, John; rem. from Watertown to Had.; d. Feb. 10, 1690.
He m. Feb. 5, 1644, Sarah *Caddet*, [Judd]; *Cady*, [Savage]; Mary *Cassell*, [Bond].

In his will, presented to court Sept. 30, 1690, Clary makes a bequest to Mary Whitney, his wife's daughter, and to each of her children. Mrs. Clary d. Dec. 23, 1681.

Ch.: John (2).
Sarah, Oct. 4, 1649, m. Dec. 13, 1667, John Perry, of Watertown.
Gershom, Sept. 7, 1650, d. before 1690.

2. John, s. of John (1); miller; from Hat.; a grantee of Nfd., 1682; came at the Second Settlement. Built a mill on the *Cowas*, in 1685. He was one of the "6 Christians, killed by the Indians, Aug. 16, 1688." [*See ante*, p. 115.]

He m. Jan. or June 16, 1670, Ann, dau. Nathaniel Dickinson. She m. (2), Enos Kingsley, of Nhn.; d. July 16, 1723.

Ch.: John, April 3, 1671; killed at Brookfield by Indians, 1709.
Sarah, March 19, 1673; killed with her father.
Mary, m. May 27, 1698, Moses Hutchinson.
Joseph, Nov. 30, 1677 (3).

3. Joseph, s. of John (2), b. 1672; sett. in Sunderland, June 8, 1748.
He m. Nov. 19, 1702, Hannah, dau. Samuel Belding.

Ch.: Joseph, Sept. 3, 1705, m. Sarah Gunn; Sett. in Leverett.
Samuel, 1707.
Martha, 1712, prob. 2d wife of Josiah Alvord. [*H. W. Taft.*]
Sarah, d. June 2, 1715.
Sarah, 1717, m. Jonathan Root.
Hannah, 1719.
Per. John, who m. 1749, Rachael Eastman, and rem. to Conway. [*H. W. T.*]

CLENDENEN, Archibald; sol. in the Burgoyne campaign; enlisted for six months June, 1780; d. Aug. 9, 1780. a. 45.

Ch.: Thomas, 1771, d. April 6, 1789.
Rebecca, 1783, m. Feb. 1, 1803, Elijah Merriman.
Polly, m. Dec. 27, 1798, John Robbinson.

1. COLLAR, Hezekiah B.; farmer; blacksmith; Methodist preacher.
He m. May 21, 1818, Rhoda, dau. Asa Robbins.

Ch.: Emily R., Jan. 17, 1819.
Livonia, Oct. 2, 1820.
Asa R., Jan. 5, 1823, d. April 24, 1825.
Albert, June 29, 1825, d. Sept. 12, 1826.
Asa R., June 26, 1827.
Albert, Oct. 25, 1829.
Martha A., Dec. 23, 1832.
Amos M., June 27, 1835.
Philinda R., Sept. 29, 1837.
Adeline M., Nov. 27, 1840.

2. Lemuel, br. of Hezekiah, from Warwick.
He m. Sept. 5, 1820, Susan Hurd.

Ch.: Harriet H., March 30, 1821.
Samuel, Dec. 24, 1822.
Phebe C., Nov. 25, 1824.
Leonard, Sept. 28, 1828, m. — Greenleaf.

1. COLLAR, Moses, from Warwick.

He m. Mary Greenleaf, who d. Dec. 27, 1860, a. 64.

Ch.: Moses G., Nov. 19, 1828, m. —— Houghton.
Catherine, Jan. 10, 1830, m. —— Sikes.
Mary G., Aug. 10, 1831, m. Alexander Holton.
Judith, m. Wm. H. Holton.

2. Ruel, prob. br. Moses (1).

He m. April 25, 1825, Hannah Chapin, of Northfield.

Ch.: Mary, Jan. 30, 1826.
Emerson, April 16, 1828, m. —— Chapin.
Leonard, Sept. 8, 1832.
James D., Aug. 19, 1836.

3. Samuel, br. of Moses, (1); from Warwick, 1808.

He m. Jan. 26, 1808, Abigail Bridge.

Ch.: Hannah, Aug. 14, 1809, d. unm.
William, Sept. 19, 1811, d. Sept. 21, 1813.
Charles W., Feb. 25, 1816, sett. in Boston.

COLTON, Abisha; rec'd from ch. in Longmeadow, July 3, 1785; dis. "to the ch. in Southboro, or any other ch. where he shall settle in the ministry."

COLTON, Daniel.

He m. March 30, 1830, Mira Miller.

COLTON, Richard, 1811 from Spfd.; wagon and plow maker; surveyor; dep. sheriff; d. Aug. 6, 1872.

He m. Betsey Hale, of Enfield, Ct., who d. Nov. 2, 1865.

Ch.: Eli, Feb. 21, 1809, m. Cynthia Terry, of Enfield.
Eliza, at Spfd., Jan. 12, 1811, m. George Alexander.
Amanda, March 10, 1814, m. Charles Alexander.
Alonzo, Jan. 28, 1816; sett. in South Hanson, m. Jan. 28, 1852, Sophronia Brewster.
Edward Wells, Feb. 15, 1831, m. Susa M. Hurd.
Edwin Williams, Feb. 15, 1831, m. Mary S. Newton; he d. May 24, 1862.

COLTON, Urial, 1800; of Orange 1791, and earlier from Natick.

COMBS, Samuel, 1786.

COOK, Caleb; shoemaker; from Warwick, 1801.

He m. Dec. 4, 1811, Mabel, dau. Dr. Samuel Mattoon.

Ch.: Edward F., Sept. 1, 1814, m. Mary A. Bardwell; sett. in Walpole, N. H.
Mary M., July 4, 1817.
Josephine, Feb. 27, 1820.

COOK, Joseph, 1780; Rev. sol. 3 years; enlisted from Orange; came from Cambridge; d. s. p. April 24, 1825, a. 64.

COOK, Robert G., b. April 2, 1790; Nfd., 1818; from Charlestown; d. July 23, 1846, a. 56.

He m. June 3, 1819, Sarah M., dau. Isaac Mattoon, d. Oct. 5, 1835, a. 36. (2), Feb. 21, 1839, Lucinda W. Goodrich, of Gill.

Ch.: Isaac M., Jan. 29, 1820, m. Lois Fairbanks; he d. Aug. 1, 1857.
Robert G., Feb. 3, 1822, d. March 9, 1822.
Martha S., March 27, 1823, m. April 10, 1845, Wright Stratton. She d. April 26, 1858.
Lucretia, April 23, 1825.
Robert G., Sept. 15, 1827, d. Feb. 13, 1873.
Mary Jane, Jan. 1, 1830, m. Oct., 1847, Homer Sanders. She d. March 19, 1859.
Eliza Ann, May 31, 1832, d. Dec. 23, 1832.

COOLEY, Barnes, 1776; wife d. Sept. 30, 1776, a. 30.
Ch.: Tirza, bapt. Jan. 7, 1776.

COOLEY, Ephraim, 1807.

COOPER, Robert, b. 1678; sergeant; rem. from Dfd. to Nfd. at the Third Settlement. In 1740 he bought about 50 acres of land of Eb. Alexander, on Cooper's Point, where he settled. He served and suffered much, in the Indian wars. In a petition to the General Court, April 5, 1749, he says: "I served as a soldier in Queen Anne's war, some considerable time, where I was wounded by the enemy in my right arm, whereby I lost the use of my elbow joint, and my arm greatly withered, to my unspeakable damage. And in the last Indian war, [1722–6,] I was again called forth, and did devote myself to the service of my country, thro' the course of that war, encountering, with great difficulty and hardship, much to my detriment, and future disadvantage; and in the late war, [1744–8,] being settled in an exposed frontier place, often exerting myself to my utmost to maintain my ground and not encourage the enemy by giving way to them. Expending considerable in fortifying, and otherwise, and risking my life in great peril, was obliged to draw off, and leave my inhabitance, to my great loss. Then being again employed as a soldier by order the Hon. Col. Stoddard, I was again wounded, [July 14, 1748; *see ante*, p. 267,] both in my left arm and side, by which means, and other difficulties, I am became a cripple, and my son, [Moses,] on whom I depended to be the stay of my family, was the last year slain by the enemy. So that I am reduced to really distressing circumstances, and unable to support myself." This old battered and worn out veteran, of 75 years, the hero of three wars, was munificently rewarded by a grant of £12! He died in Hins., Jan. 9, 1760. "Robert Cooper's Plain," "Cooper's Meadow," "Cooper's Cave," and "Cooper's Point," still keep his memory green. His wife was Sarah —, who d. Jan. 5, 1769, a. 63.

Ch.: Moses, April 23, 1730; was killed by Indians March 29, 1748, near Ft. Dummer, while cutting timber for oars. Lt. John Sargeant, and Joshua Wells were killed at the same time. [*See ante*, p. 257.]
Joshua, Sept. 1, 1731, d. Dec. 19, 1736.
Aaron, Oct. 10, 1733; sett. in Hinsdale, m. Sarah, and d. April 16, 1805, his wife dying 10 days before, at the age of 65.
Elijah and Abigail, } Aug. 5, 1735. } d. Aug. 26, 1736.
Joshua, Jan. 4, 1737–8; sol. at Ft. Dummer, 1756.
Sarah, June 10, 1741.
Ebenezer, March 10, 1744; sett. in Hins.
Elijah, Dec. 6, 1746, m. Aug. 4, 1777, Sarah Sanger, or Sawyer, who d. Feb. 6, 1797, a. 65. He d. April 16, 1839, a. 93.

1. CORSE, James, Dfd., d. May 15, 1696.

He m. Elizabeth, dau. John Catlin; she was cap. at the destruction of the town, Feb. 29, 1704, and killed on the march to Canada.

Ch.: Ebenezer, April 7, 1692, m. Nov. 2, 1715, Sarah French, and sett. in Easthampton.
James, March 20, 1693–4 (2).
Elizabeth, Feb. 4, 1695–6; cap. with her mother, and never returned.

2. James, s. of James (1), b. 1694; sol. 1722–6; explored a route to Canada, 1731, by direction of the government.

He m. Aug. 17, 1721, Thankful, dau. Benjamin Munn. She d. June 22, 1746, a. 42. (2), July 16, 1747, Elizabeth, dau. Capt. Jo. Clesson. She d. July 4, 1773, a. 62.

Ch.: Thankful, May 9, 1722, m. May 9, 1744, Gershom Hawks.
Gad, Sept. 23, 1723 (3).
Elizabeth, Aug. 24, 1725, m. June 24, 1751, Aaron Scott.

Mary, Aug. 26, 1727, m. Feb. 8, 1753, Thomas Travis, of Ft. Mass.
Abigail, Jan. 9, 1732.
Sarah, May 21, 1735, m. March 29, 1753, Oliver Avery, d. bef. 1762.
Asher, Sept. 10, 1737; sett. in Greenfield.
Dan, Dec. 10, 1739, m. Chloe, dau. Joseph Clesson; sol. in French war.
Rebecca, Nov. 20, 1742.
John, May 31, 1746, d. the same year.
Joseph, Aug. 22, 1748, d. Sept. 11, 1748.
Joanna, March 25, 1750.

3. Gad, s. of James (2), b. 1723; tanner; sol. at Ft. Mass., 1757; Nfd. 1774; was often employed during the last French war in transporting guns and ammunition to the forts, and driving cattle to the army; also, in riding as express messenger.

He m. Dec., 1747, Mary, dau. Azariah Wright.

Ch.: Thankful, Nov. 27, 1747.
Gad, March 31, 1750 (4).
Cynthia, Feb. 12, 1752.
James, Feb. 5, 1754.
Mary, Jan. 15, 1756, m. Nov. 4, 1783, Samuel Picket.
Lucy, 1758, d. same year
Azariah, Aug. 21, 1759.
Rufus, July 31, 1761.
Asaph, Jan. 22, 1764, m. Nov. 8, 1786, Charlotte, dau. Philip Mattoon.
Lucy, Aug. 14, 1766.

4. Gad, s. of Gad (3), b. 1750.

He m. Jan. 29, 1777, Lydia, dau. Alexander Norton.

Ch.: Roswell, Dec. 4, 1777, m. Susanna Lyman; rem. to Canada.
Cynthia, Nov. 2, 1779, m. Aug. 7, 1800, Cephas Wells, of Cornish, N. H.
Wyllys, March 5, 1782; sett. in Hins., d. Oct. 4, 1818.
Henry, Feb. 14, 1784, m. March 1, 1802, Patty Holton.
Lydia, bapt. June 24, 1787.
Electa, bapt. June 25, 1797.

CRAFTS, Benoni, s. of Thomas, of Had., b. 1692; carpenter; Nfd. 1718; d. May 20, 1722.

He m. Rebecca —. She d. at Deerfield, Nov. 10, 1720.

Ch.: Rebecca, Nov. 1, 1720, d. at Dfd., June 20, 1721.

CROSSETT, Stephen, 1811.

CROSSETT, Richard; he m. May 17, 1814, Olive, wid. of James Darling.

1. CROWFOOT, Samuel, Had., d. Feb. 10, 1733, a. 71.

He m. Mary, dau. Isaac Warner. She d. April 9, 1702. (2), Nov. 30, 1704, Abigail (Dickinson), wid. of John Crafts. She d. 1714.

Ch.: Samuel, Jan. 21, 1694.
Stephen, April 13, 1695 (2).
Mary, April 6, 1697, m. 1719, Peter Domo, the man proverbial for his silliness.
Joseph, July 3, 1699.
Daniel, June 5, 1700; cap. at Dfd., Feb. 29, 1704; never returned from Canada.
Ebenezer, April 3, 1702.
Sarah, May 25, 1706.

2. Stephen, s. of Stephen (1), b. 1695; carpenter; Nfd., 1718, when he built a scow for the town, and where he continued working at his trade. In 1721 he had a grant of a home lot and out lands. He assisted in building Ft. Dummer, in Feb., 1724, where he appears to have been head carpenter. Hall, in *Hist. Eastern Vermont*, speaks of him erroneously as "John Crowfoot, an Indian of Springfield," in giving an account of the building of this fort. About 1735, he sold his estate and reterned to Hadley.

He m. March 14, 1717, Abigail, dau. Isaac Graves, of Hatfield.

CUMMINGS, William, 1806.

COY, formerly MACCOY, or McCOY, Lemuel, b. about 1765; from Conn., at the age of about 21; d. Feb. 19, 1852.

He m. Nov. 3, 1788, Sarah, dau. Robert Moffat. She d. June 19, 1851, a. 85.

Ch.: Anna, Aug. 24, 1789, m. Oct. 18, 1820, Benoni, Buckman, of New Ipswich.
Jesse, Nov. 9, 1790.
Roxana, Feb. 8, 1793.
Oren, Sept. 29, 1794.
Polly, July 23, 1796, m. Feb. 9, 1814, Seth Field.
Aseph, July 19, 1798.
John, March 5, 1800.
William, Sept. 2, 1802.
Ira, Sept. 15, 1804, m. Martha Billings.

CURTIS, Benjamin R. This distinguished jurist was born at Watertown, Nov. 4, 1809; grad. H. C., 1829. In 1832 he began practicing law at Nfd., whence, after about two years, he removed to Boston, where he soon took high rank at the bar. He d. Sept. 15, 1874.

He m. at Nfd., Eliza, dau. William Woodard, treasurer Dart. College.

Ch.: Charles D., March 5, 1834.

1. **CURTIS, Henry**, Windsor; rem. to Northampton; d. Nov. 30, 1661, and was the first person buried in the grave yard there.

He m. May 13, 1645, Elizabeth Abell. She m. (2), June 22, 1662, Richard Weller.

Ch.: Samuel, April 26, 1649 (2).
Nathaniel, July 15, 1651; killed by Indians at Northfield, Sept. 2, 1675.

2. **Samuel**, s. of Henry (1), b. 1649; Nfd., at the Third Settlement; d. July 24, 1721.

He m. July 3, 1678, Sarah, dau. George Alexander.

Ch.: Samuel, Feb. 27, 1679, d. Sept. 11, 1680.
Jonathan, March 29, 1683, d. young.
Jonathan, Jan. 11, 1685.
Henry, Dec. 19, 1690.
Elizabeth, Sept. 5, 1693.

CUTLER, Thomas, 1818–9.

CUTTING, Clark, m. March 22, 1801, Susanna Champlain.

DANA, Samuel, 1793–7.

DANIELS, Peter, 1775.

1. **DARLING, James**; cabinet maker, 1802; d. abt. 1811.

He m. Olive —, who m. (2), May 17, 1814, Richard Crossett.

Ch.: George, Nov. 1, 1803; sett. in Swansey, N. H.
Mary, Oct. 21, 1805, d. Nov. 29, 1805.
Mary, May 31, 1807.

2. **Benjamin**, br. of James; blacksmith; from Hins.; d. Nov. 4, 1840, a. 64.

He m. Fanny Ames, who d. Dec. 18, 1859, a. 85.

Ch.: Benjamin A., Aug. 19, 1804, m. Susan, dau. Samuel Dickinson.
Luke A., Dec. 22, 1806, m. Martha, dau. Ora Holton.
Moody M., July 30, 1809; blacksmith.
Fanny, May 30, 1812, d. Sept. 28, 1813.
Sidney A., Jan. 1, 1815.

DAVIDSON, Josiah, 1768; from Dfd.; rem. to Charlemont; sol. in the French wars.

He m. Oct. 28, 1737, Elizabeth, dau. Ebenezer Severance.

Ch.: Josiah, adopted son, b. April 3, 1732, m. Oct. 8, 1765, Rachel Collyr.
Rebecca, Dec. 7, 1737.
Barnabas, March 17, 1738–9.
Joel, Aug. 30, 1740.
Stephen, 1741.
Lazarus, Feb. 22, 1744.
Lois, 1745.

DAVIS, Aaron; a sol. of '76.

1. **DAVIS, Samuel**, Roxbury; Nhn. 1668; Dfd., 1682; grantee of Nfd. 1682, and settler, 1685; d. July 26, 1690.

He m. March 4, 1668, Hannah Edwards, who d. Sept. 11, 1680. (2), 1681, Elizabeth, dau. Wm. Smead. She d. Aug. 26, 1682. (3), Hannah —, who m. 1691, Nathaniel Prichard. [*Savage.*]

Ch. : Samuel, Feb. 2, 1670, d. young.
Samuel, Jan. 3, 1672 (2).
John, July, 1677, m. "Mary Davis, gr. dau. of Samuel Davis, of Nfd., and dau. of John, dec'd;" Mary owned one-fifth of Samuel Davis's estate, Feb. 8, 1721–2. Samuel Clark was her guardian. She m. before 1736, Ichabod Strong, of Nhn.
Joseph, Aug. 6, 1682.

2. Samuel, s. of Samuel (1), b. 1670.
He m. Oct. 28, 1695, Thankful, dau. Matthew Clesson.

Ch. : Samuel, Sept. 16, 1696.

DAVIS, Pliny, 1806; d. Jan., 1843.
He m. Abigail —. She d. Feb. 28, 1824.

Ch. : Adelpha Warren, June 1, 1814.
Harriet H., April 9, 1822.

1. DAY, Robert, b. 1604. Came over in the "Elizabeth," 1634, from Ipswich, Eng.; freeman, 1635; rem. to Hart. abt. 1637; d. 1648.
He m. Mary —. (2), Editha, sis. to Edward Stebbins, of Hart. She m. (2), John Maynard, and (3), abt. 1658, Elizur Holyoke. She d. Oct. 24, 1688.

Ch. : Thomas (2).
Sarah, m. Sept. 1658, Nath. Gunn, of Hart. (2), Nov. 24, 1664, Samuel Kellogg, of Hfd., where she was killed by Indians, Sept. 19, 1677.
Mary, m. Oct. 29, 1659, Samuel Ely. (2), April 12, 1694, Thomas Stebbins. (3), Dec. 11, 1696, Dea. John Colman, of Hfd., where she d. 1725.
John, m. Sarah Maynard, Hartford.

2. Thomas, s. of Robert (1), an early sett. in Spfd.; d. Dec. 21, 1711.
He m. Oct. 27, 1659, Sarah, dau. Thomas Cooper. She d. Nov. 21, 1726.

Ch. : Thomas, March 22, 1662.
Sarah, June 14, 1664, m. Feb. 21, 1683, John Burt.
Mary, Dec. 15, 1666, m. Feb. 11, 1687, John Merrick.
John, Feb. 20, 1669, d. Aug. 6, 1670.
Samuel, May 20, 1671.
John, Sept. 20, 1673 (3).
Ebenezer, Sept. 8, 1675, d. June 12, 1676.
Ebenezer, Sept. 5, 1677.
Jonathan, Aug. 8, 1680, d. Aug. 6, 1747.
Abigail, m. Feb. 18, 1783, Samuel Warner. (2), Thomas Miller.

3. John, s. of Thomas (2), b. 1673.
He m. March 10, 1697, Mary Smith, of Hfd., who d. Feb. 28, 1742, a. 65. (2), Aug. 27, 1743, Hannah Kent, of Had., who d. Nov. 20, 1752, a. 79.

Ch. : John, July 5, 1698.
Hezekiah, Oct. 15, 1700.
Joseph, June 24, 1703 (4).
Mary, Jan. 20, 1706, m. Dec. 17, 1724, Benjamin Stebbins, of Belchertown.
Sarah, May 14, 1708, m. Aaron Ashley, of Sheffield.
Benjamin, Oct. 27, 1710; col.; m. 1770, wid. Lucy (Bardwell) Sheldon, of Dfd.
Rebecca, May 12, 1713, m. Sept. 26, 1733, Benjamin Stebbins, of Nhn.
William, Oct. 23, 1715.
Elizabeth, Jan. 19, 1718, m. — Hall, of Wallingford, Ct.
Thankful, June 19, 1721, m. Nov. 21, 1742, Eldad Taylor, of Westfield.

4. Joseph, s. of John (3), b. 1703; Nfd., 1733; a sol. under Kellogg,

at Ft. Dummer, several years; serving in the last French war, at Ft. Edward, Aug. 14, 1758.

He m. Elizabeth, dau. Eleazer Mattoon. She d. Oct. 14, 1767, a. 58.

Ch.: Eunice, June 2, 1735, m. May 17, 1751, Joel Day.
Silence, Nov. 29, 1736, m. Feb. 4, 1756, David Day.
Lucy, Dec. 19, 1738, m. March 15, 1759, Samuel Ely.
Eleazur, Feb. 22, 1741.
Elizabeth, Sept. 22, 1743, m. John Cooley.
Joseph, Nov. 20, 1745.
Giles, May 24, 1748.
Hannah, Nov. 14, 1750, m. Oct. 10, 1771, Oliver Leonard.
Jacob, Aug. 4, 1753.
Asa, Dec. 14, 1755, d. young.
Zebulon, June 17, 1757, d. young.

DELAND, John, 1772–5.

DILANO, John, 1773–5; d. in Hins., Feb. 1, 1795.

DENSMORE, Gersham.

He m. Cynthia ——.

Ch.: Cynthia, bapt. Dec. 6, 1767.
Leonard, bapt. June 10, 1770.
Dorcas, bapt. Aug. 30, 1772, d. Dec. 8, 1775.
Dorcas, bapt. Dec. 17, 1775.

DEXTER, Samuel, 1781.

BORN England

1. DICKINSON, Nathaniel; Weth., 1637, where he was town clerk, and rep.; rem. to Had., 1659; of Nhn., 1662; a few years at Hfd., but d. in Had., June 16, 1676.

He m. Anna, per. wid. Gull; for in will he names "son, Wm. Gull."

Ch.: Samuel, July, 1638 (2).
Obadiah, April 15, 1641, m. Sarah Beardsly; he was cap. Sept. 19, 1677.
Nathaniel, Aug., 1643 (3).
Nehemiah, abt. 1644, m. Mary Cowles.
Hezekiah, Feb., 1645, m. Abigail Blackman; sett. in Spfd.
Azariah, Oct. 4, 1648, m. Dorcas. He was killed in the fight south of Wequamps, Aug. 25, 1675.
Thomas, m. March 7, 1667, Hannah, dau. John Crow; sett. in Weth., but rem. to Had.
Joseph (4).
John, m. Frances, dau. Nathaniel Foote, of Weth.
Anna, m. 1670, John Clary, and (2), Enos Kingsley, of Nhn.
Frances, unm. 1676.

2. Samuel, s. of Nathl. (1), b. 1638; grantee of Nfd., 1682; Hfd.; d. Nov. 30, 1711.

He m. Jan. 14, 1668, Martha, dau. James Bridgman. She d. July 16, 1711, a. 61.

Ch.: Samuel, Aug. 17, 1669, m. Sarah Billings, and (2), Rebecca (Barret) Wright, wid. of Benoni; was in Meadow fight at Dfd., Feb. 29, 1704, where he "lost his coat, worth 16*s.*" and "captured a hatchet, worth 2*s.*"
A child, Dec. 12, 1671.
Nathaniel, Feb. 10, 1673, m. Esther Cole. In Meadow fight, 1704; lost hat and gloves.
Sarah, Nov. 5, 1675, d. unm. abt. 1750.
Azariah, Dec. 4, 1678, m. Jan. 23, 1707, Sarah Gunn.
Ebenezer, Feb. 2, 1681, m. June 27, 1706, Hannah Frary. In Med. fight, 1704.
Anna, Dec. 17, 1683.
Joseph, Aug. 3, 1686, d. s. p. in Sund., Sept. 2, 1755.
Hannah, April 4, 1689, m. Thomas Hovey, of Sund.

3. Nathaniel, s. of Nathl. (1), b. 1644; Had.; freeman, 1690; d. Oct. 11, 1710.

He m. Hannah, who d. Feb. 23, 1679. (2), 1680, Elizabeth, wid.

Joseph Gillet, dau. John Hawks, of Had. (3), Sept. 26, 1684, Elizabeth, wid. Saml. Wright, dau. Henry Burt, of Nhn.

Ch.: Nathaniel, May 1, 1663 (5).
Hannah, Jan. 18, 1666, m. Samuel Kellogg, of Colchester, Ct.
John, Nov. 1, 1667, m. Sarah —, and (2), Hepzibah, dau. Thos. Wells, of Dfd.
Mary, Feb. 2, 1673, m. Nathaniel Smith.
Daniel, March 3, 1675.
Rebecca, March, 1677, m. 1713, Thomas Allen.

4. Joseph, s. of Nathl. (1); freeman, in Ct., 1657; Nhn. 1664–74, when he rem. to Nfd.; was killed with Capt. Beers, Sept. 4, 1675. [*See ante*, p. 76.]

He m. Phebe Bracy, dau. of Mrs. Martin.

Ch.: A child, March 5, 1664, d. young.
Samuel, May 4, 1666, d. Dec. 30, 1690.
Joseph, April 27, 1668.
Nathaniel, May 20, 1670 (6).
John, May 2, 1672.
Azariah, May 15, 1674; of Haddam, Ct., 1704.

5. Nathaniel, s. of Nathl. (3), b. 1663; Hfd.; while with a small party, which included his sons, Nathl. and Samuel, hoeing corn in Hfd. Med., July 15, 1698, they were fired upon by four Indians from an ambush. Nathl., Jr., and John Billings were killed. Samuel, and a lad named Charley, were taken captive. The father's horse was shot under him, but he escaped. [*See ante*, p. 126.] He d. abt. 1757.

He m. Hepzibah Gibbs, who d. 1713. (2), Lydia, wid. Samuel Wright, of Nhn.

Ch.: Nathaniel, Feb. 25, 1685; killed as above.
Samuel, Dec. 30, 1687, m. Dec. 24, 1729, Hannah Field, dau. John. He was cap. a second time by Indians, at Nfd., Oct. 11, 1723, and taken to Canada. He returned the following June, and sett. at Dfd. [*See ante*, p. 196.]
Ebenezer, Oct. 7, 1690.
Daniel, Nov. 13, 1693, m. Lydia Allis. (2), 1744, Ruth Bagg.
Hepzibah, Aug. 7, 1696, m. Lt. Jonathan Belding, of Nfd.
Nathaniel, Nov. 27, 1698 (7).
Benjamin, Sept. 11, 1702; H. C., 1723; preacher, and teacher; m. Sarah Scott; he d. 1778.
Thankful, Sept. 11, 1702, m. 1726, Japhet Chapin, of Spfd.
Catherine, Jan. 8, 1706, m. 1726, Caleb Chapin, of Spfd.

6. Nathaniel, s. of Joseph (4), b. 1690; dea.; d. 1745.
He m. Hannah, dau. Daniel White.

Ch.: Jonathan, Nov. 7, 1699, m. Mary Smith.
Martha, Dec. 25, 1701, m. March 2, 1727, Elnathan Graves.
Obadiah, July 28, 1704 (8).
Nathan, April, 1707, d. May 10, 1707.
Joshua, Feb. 7, 1709.
Elijah, Feb. 24, 1712, d. June 8, 1714.
Elijah, Sept. 20, 1714, d. May 25, 1715.
Joel, March 23, 1716.
Lucy, Sept. 9, 1718, d. Dec. 24, 1718.

7. Nathaniel, s. of Nathaniel (5), b. 1698; Nfd. 1727; he was killed by Indians April 15, 1747, while going to Pochague Med., after cows. His companion, Asahel Burt, was also killed. The monument at Pochague Hill, marks the spot where they were killed. [*See ante*, p. 250.]

He m. Martha, dau. Eleazer Wright. She d. a wid. March 28, 1793, a. 89.

Ch.: Miriam, July 13, 1777, d. Oct. 24, 1736.
Moses, Nov. 20, 1728 (9).
Titus, July 18, 1730, d. before 1745.
Martha, Feb. 6, 1733, d. Nov. 2, 1737.
Nathaniel, April 24, 1735 (10).
Miriam, Dec. 25, 1737.
Martha, April 26, 1740, d. young.
Mercy, Dec. 22, 1742, m. Feb. 11, 1784, Benoni Brown, of Ber.
Titus, Feb. 15, 1745 (11).
Benoni, Dec. 12, 1747, posthumous (12).

8. **Obadiah**, s. of Nathaniel (6), b. 1704; ens.; Hat.; d. June 24, 1788. He m. May 26, 1726, Mary, dau. John Belding. (2), abt. 1756, Martha ——.

Ch.: Elijah, July 31, 1727, d. young.
Elihu, Oct. 11, 1729, d. young.
Lucy, Nov. 20, 1731, m. — Allis.
Israel, m. Nov. 20, 1764, Mercy, dau. Oliver Partridge.
Hannah, m. Nov. 14, 1755, Julius Allis.
Submit, m. 1766, Samuel Gaylord.
Lois, m. 1770, John C. Williams, of Hfd.
Elijah, abt. 1743, d. 1813, a. 80.
Elihu.
Obadiah, Aug. 31, 1757 (13).
Mary, m. Jan. 27, 1774, Elisha Allis, Jr.
Martha, m. Oct. 29, 1790, John Barrett.

9. **Moses**, s. of Nathaniel (7), b. 1728. He m. Prudence Frizzell, who d. May 15, 1790, a. abt. 50.

Ch.: Relief, bapt. Aug. 21, 1757, d. Aug. 23, 1759.
Relief, bapt. July 9, 1758, m. March 4, 1783, Amos Peabody, of Ber.
John, bapt. June 8, 1760; sett. in New York.
Moses, bapt. Aug. 1, 1762 (14).
Sarah, bapt. June 30, 1765, m. Simeon Mallory.

10. **Nathaniel**, s. of Nathaniel (7), b. 1735; sol., 1756–7; Dr.; in Bennington, 1660–90. He m. —— Fisk, of Cambridge, Vt.

Ch.: Heman, m. June 24, 1801, Ethelinda, dau. Benoni Dickinson.
Nathaniel.
Ira.

11. **Titus**, s. of Nathaniel (7), b. 1745; lieutenant; d. March 30, 1818. He m. Phebe Bond, who d. April 30, 1813, a. 67.

Ch.: Tirza, bapt. Feb. 19, 1781.
Nathaniel, bapt. Feb. 10, 1782, d. March 19, 1782, a. 5 mos.
Ahira, bapt. April 20, 1783.

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12. **Benoni**, s. of Nathaniel (7), b. 1747; sol. of '76; d. July 17, 1839. He m. Phebe, dau. Samuel Marsh, of Had. She d. Nov. 23, 1835, a. 82.

Ch.: Samuel, Jan. 20, 1775 (15).
Ethlinda, Dec. 3, 1776, m. June 21, 1801, Heman Dickinson.
Polly, Jan. 12, 1781, m. Feb. 7, 1803, Horace Holton; alive 1875.
Job, m. June 20, 1783 (16).
Betsey, Dec. 25, 1785, m. March 24, 1812, Gideon D. Stebbins, of Vernon.
Nathaniel P., April 9, 1788 (17).
Roswell, Sept. 5, 1792, d. April 28, 1803.
Asahel, Jan. 25, 1795 (18).

13. **Obadiah**, s. of Obadiah (8), b. 1757; grad. Y. C. 1778; Esq.; U. S. assessor in the census of 1798; a leading man in town affairs; d. March 9, 1844.

He m. June 28, 1787, Sophia, dau. Shammah Pomroy. She d. Jan. 14, 1843, a. 77.

Ch.: Harriet, Jan. 1, 1789, m. Oct. 20, 1813, Henry Williams, of Boston.
Emily, April 11, 1791, m. Dr. James Bowen.
Obadiah, April 5, 1793, d. in Pensacola, Fla.
Elijah, Jan. 21, 1795; sett. in North Carolina.
Theodore, Dec. 24, 1796; blacksmith; rem. to Boston.
Sophia P., Feb. 4, 1798, m. — Cobb, of Hanson, Me.
Delia, March 24, 1801, m. June 23, 1824, Eusebius Weston.
George, Dec. 19, 1802; sett. in Illinois.
Martha W., Sept. 10, 1804, m. James H. Prentice, Boston.
Wm. Frederick, } Jan. 21, } d. in infancy.
Frederick Wm., } 1806, } d. in Boston.
Louisa, Dec. 10, 1807, m. Timothy Field.

14. Moses, s. of Moses (9), b. 1762; d. from bite of a rattlesnake.
He m. Hannah Laughton.

Ch.: Sally, Feb. 28, 1798, m. — White.
Abisha, Nov. 18, 1803; a blacksmith.
Laughton, May 18, 1807.
Moses, Sept. 23, 1809, m. Lucretia Bogle.

15. Samuel, s. of Benoni (12), b. 1775, d. May 9, 1837.
He m. Susanna Barton, who d. Dec. 13, 1827, a. 47.

Ch.: Roswell, Dec. 8, 1803, d. Sept. 17, 1805.
Lucretia, March 27, 1805, d. Aug. 24, 1807.
Charles, Feb. 14, 1807, d. young.
Roswell, May 11, 1809.
Lucretia, April 18, 1812, m. Jarvis Root, of Bratt.
Mary, May 29, 1814, d. Aug. 20, 1816.
Susanna R., April 4, 1816, m. Benjamin A Darling, of Hoosic, N. Y.
Charles, June 24, 1820, d. Nov. 22, 1820.
Mary M., May 21, 1822, m. Danforth Richardson, who was starved at Andersonville.

16. Job M., s. of Benoni (12), b. 1783; captain; d. Sept. 7, 1870.
He m. June 18, 1810, Rhoda, dau. Elijah Holton. She d. Aug. 25, 1846, a. 63. (2), Ruth, sister of Rhoda, wid. of Martin Scott, and George Field. She d. Nov. 21, 1869, a. 77.

Ch.: Lydia S., April 18, 1811, m. Joel Brigham, of Marlboro.
Electa R., Jan. 27, 1813.
Infant, Dec. 13, 1814, d. Dec. 17, 1814.
Elijah M., Aug. 1, 1816 (19).
Henrietta W., } Dec. 17, }
Henry W., } 1818, } m. Oct. 20, 1845, Susan Wilson.
Erastus P., March 4, 1821, d. March 1, 1823.
Erastus P., Aug. 8, 1825, d. Dec. 23, 1852.
Chandler P., Feb. 21, 1828, d. May 28, 1864.

17. Nathaniel Porter, s. of Benoni (12), b. 1788, d. Oct. 19, 1869.
He m. Dec. 18, 1831, Ardelia T. Williams, who d. Dec. 7, 1859, a. 53.

Ch.: Williams, Dec. 3, 1833.
Phebe M., June, 1835, m. Frank Webb.
Ardelia W., m. Jasper M. Bathelow.
Abby J., March, 1838, m. Lemuel Hyatt. She d. July 16, 1866.
Nathaniel P., Feb., 1840, d. Dec. 3, 1841.
Roswell, Sept., 1845, d. March 1, 1847.
Nathaniel, m. May 17, 1872, Harriet Gleason.
Roswell, Feb. 17, 1847, m. June 17, 1873, Sarah J. Stone.
Frederick E., } Feb. 25, } d. Oct. 16, 1869.
Frank, } 1852, } d. March 11, 1852.

18. Asahel, s. of Benoni (12), b. 1795; sett. in Ver.; d. March 1, 1850.
He m. Maria Gould, who d. Oct. 22, 1863, a. 62.

Ch.: Asahel L., April 24, 1821, d. March 3, 1824.
Maria L., April 10, 1823, m. George Peeler.
Tabitha L., April 4, 1825, d. unm. Feb. 26, 1867.
Asahel L., Nov. 28, 1827, m. Rosetta Aldridge.
Henry H., Feb. 7, 1830, d. Dec. 1, 1833.
Theodore, 1832, d. Oct. 8, 1854.
Henry C., 1834.
William O., 1836.
Geo. Hosmer, 1838.
Elliot Swan, 1840.
Adeline, Aug. 12, 1841, d. May 7, 1842.
Wilson D.
Adeline.

19. Elijah M., s. of Job M. (16), b. 1816; sett. in Marlboro; rem. to Fitchburg, 1854.
He m. June 1, 1843, Maria A., dau. Elijah Belding, b. in Ver., Oct. 2, 1820.

Ch.: Mary M., July 5, 1844, m. June 8, 1870, Henry Alison.
Anna S., March 31, 1846, m. June 8, 1870, Frederick F. Woodward.
Charles P., March 8, 1854.
Edward M., March 14, 1860, d. Dec. 2, 1860.

1. DIKE, Aaron, 1773.
He m. —— Jennings, prob. Betsey.

Ch.: Betsey, Feb. 18, 1789.
Samuel, Oct. 26, 1790 (2).
Aaron, July 28, 1793.
Harriet, May 1, 1796, m. Nov. 30, 1815, Chapin Holden.
Benjamin, May 26, 1799.
Mariah, June 28, 1803, d. March 8, 1816.
Sarah, April 14, 1805.
Susan, Feb. 26, 1812, m. Solomon Marsh.

2. Samuel, s. of Aaron (1), b. 1790.
He m. Oct. 17, 1816, Tamison Brigham.

Ch.: Emily, Feb. 8, 1818.
Mary L., Dec. 22, 1819.
Sanford, June 2, 1823, d. April 10, 1824.
Almira R., April 27, 1825.
Samuel, Nov. 23, 1828, d. Aug. 17, 1831.
Fanny M. S., Aug. 13, 1831, d. May 23, 1832.

DIKE, Benjamin, s. of Benjamin of Athol, 1772; d. s. p. April 4, 1787, a. 35.

DIKE, David. He m. June 17, 1801, Patty Wood.

DIKE, Edward. He m. Feb. 22, 1803, Susanna Wood.

DIKE, Samuel. He m. Aug. 4, 1803, Hannah Young.

DOAK, Thomas D.; merchant, 1812; from Dracut; rem. to Canada. 2d wife, Betsey Mead, who d. June 21, 1816.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Oct. 3, 1814, m. — —, of the Canadian Parliament.
William D., March 17, 1816.

DOLLOFF, David, 1775.

1. DOOLITTLE, Abraham, b. 1619; sergeant; New Haven, 1640; rem. to Wallingford, 1670, as one of the first settlers; was one of the committee to organize a church there. In Oct., 1675, his house was fortified at public expense; d. Aug. 11, 1690, a. 70.
He m. (2), July 2, 1663, Abigail, dau. Joseph Moss. She d. Nov. 5, 1710, a. 69.

Ch.: Sarah, b. at N. Haven, m. — Ebenatha.
Abraham, Feb. 12, 1650, m. Mary Holt. (2), Ruth Lothrop. (3), Elis Thorp; he d. Nov. 10, 1732.
Elizabeth, April 12, 1652, m. — Brocket.
Mary, Feb. 22, 1654, d. young.
John, June 14, 1655 (2).
Abigail, bapt. May 22, 1659, d. young.
Samuel, July 7, 1665.
Joseph, Feb. 12, 1676; captain in Wallingford, 1716; dep., 1713–16.
Abigail, Feb. 26, 1669; unm. 1690.
Ebenezer, abt. 1672, m. Sarah Hall, who d. 1711. (2), Hannah —.
Mary, March 4, 1673, m. Solomon Goffe.
Daniel, Dec. 29, 1675, m. Hannah Cornwell; sett. in Middletown, Ct.; he d. 1755.
Theopolis, m. Thankful Hall. He was ancestor of Theopolis, who sett. in Burlington, Vt., 1808.

2. John, s. of Abraham (1), b. 1655; of Wallingford.
He m. Feb. 13, 1682, Mary, dau. John Peck, of New Haven. (2), Jan. 29, 1717, Grace Blakesley, prob. wid. of John, of New Haven.

Ch.: Esther, Jan. 24, 1683.
Samuel, Feb. 4, 1685.
Sarah, Feb. 16, 1686.
Susanna, April 5, 1688, d. young.
Benjamin, July 10, 1695 (3).
Susanna, Feb. 4, 1706.
Eunice, May 30, 1707.
John, Feb. 6, 1712.

3. BENJAMIN, s. of John (2), b. 1695; Y. C., 1716; first minister of Nfd.; sett. 1718. [*See ante*, pp. 148 and 230.] He d. in the ministry, Jan. 9, 1748–9.

He m. Oct. 14, 1717, Lydia, dau. Samuel Todd, of New Haven. She m. (2), Oct. 26, 1763, Lieut. Jonathan Belding. (3), Nov., 1778, Japhet Chapin; he d. 1786, and his wid. ret. to Nfd., where she d. June, 16, 1790, a. 92. "She appeared to be full of faith and good works." [*Cb. rec.*]

Ch.: Oliver, Oct. 28, 1718, d. "in ye flower of his age." [*Ex. from his father's letter, May* 6, 1746.]
Lydia, Aug. 24, 1720, m. Lieut. John Evans. She d. April 2, 1806.
Charles, July 31, 1722; under Capt. Alexander, in the expedition to Loisburg, in 1745, where he was probably lost.
Eunice, July 24, 1724, m. Samuel Ashley.
Susanna, June 13, 1726, m. Seth Field.
Lucius, May 16, 1728 (4).
Chloe, May 4, 1730, m. abt. 1746, Moses Evans.
Lucy, Feb. 27, 1731–2, d. young.
Thankful, Jan. 20, 1733–4, m. July 10, 1750, Oliver Willard, of Fort Dummer.
Amzi, Nov. 15, 1737, m. Dec. 6, 1757, Jerusha, dau. Dea. Samuel Smith; he was of Warwick, 1761, but d. in Townsend, Vt.
Lucy, July 15, 1741, m. Aug. 20, 1765, Simeon Chapin, of Chicopee, where she d. at the age of 83.
A son, d. young; date of b. or d. unknown.

4. LUCIUS, s. of Benjamin (3), b. 1728; sol. in French war; kept tavern at the north end of the street.

He m. Sarah, dau. Dea. Samuel Smith.

Ch.: Oliver, Dec. 3, 1746 (5).
Charles, Sept. 4, 1748; doctor; m. Aug. 2, 1747, Tabitha, dau. Daniel Morton. (2), Editha Ruggles; sett. in Hardwick.
Benjamin, Nov. 6, 1751, d. April 16, 1762.
Lydia, Dec. 25, 1753, m. Aug. 9, 1770, Col. Samuel Ashley, of Winch.
Sarah, Dec. 25, 1756, d. April 20, 1773.
Lucius, Nov. 11, 1761; doctor; m. Esther, dau. Daniel Morton; sett. in Greenwich.
Benjamin, Jan. 12, 1764, m. Dec. 21, 1784, Editha, dau. Paul Field; sett. in Winch.
Jesse, Feb. 2, 1766; sett. in Lyndon, Vt.
Calvin, July, 1768 (6).
Adrastus, Aug. 10, 1771 (7).
Sarah, July 6, 1773, m. Oct. 11, 1811, Maj. Elisha Alexander; a 2d wife.

5. OLIVER, s. of Lucius (4), b. 1746, d. April 29, 1827.

He m. Aug. 5, 1768, Sibyl, dau. Seth Field. She d. Sept. 14, 1836, a. 86.

Ch.: Infant.
Otis, Sept. 20, 1770 (8).
Oliver, May 8, 1773, m. Arethusey Whitney, of Warwick; d. March 7, 1857.
Sibyl, Jan. 23, 1776, d. April 9, 1777.
Sibyl, Dec. 9, 1777, m. Samuel Foot.
Susa, bapt. Jan. 2, 1780, d. soon.
Seth, Feb. 19, 1781 (9).
Susa, July 15, 1784, m. Col. Obed Slate, of Bernardston.
Charles, Feb. 22, 1786, d. Dec. 8, 1805.

6. CALVIN, s. of Lucius (4), b. 1768; shoemaker; Lyndon, Vt., 1793.

He m. Oct. 23, 1791, Sarah Harvey. (2), wid. Mary (Larabee) Peabody.

Ch.: Infant, d. April 26, 1792.
Adrastus.
Calvin.
Sarah.
Eusebia, m. — Walton.
Frenda.
Emiline, m. Squire Holden.
Edward, } twins; sett. in Winch.
Edwin, }
Mary, May 2, 1819.
Harvey.

7. Adrastus, s. of Lucius (4), b. 1771; landlord; d. Jan. 27, 1830. He m. Patty, dau. George Field. She d. Sept. 29, 1843, a. 68.

Ch.: Lydia, Aug. 4, 1800, m. April 13, 1822, Aaron Lord. (2), Nov. 21, 1843, Otis Everett.
George, Oct. 2, 1803, m. Dorothy Doolittle; sett. in Hins.
Charles, Jan. 6, 1806, d. s. p. Oct. 3, 1848.
Lucretia, Aug. 24, 1808, d. unm. Jan. 15, 1851.
Martha, Sept. 16, 1810, m. Geo. Wheeler, of Ill.
Fanny, Feb. 10, 1813, m. Dec. 16, 1829, George E. Scott.
Jerusha, Nov. 4, 1815.
Margaret, Sept. 3, 1817, d. July 29, 1819.
Margaret, Feb. 19, 1820, d. March 10, 1826.

8. Otis, s. of Oliver (5), b. 1770; captain; Winch.; d. June 29, 1855. He m. abt. 1786, Sophia Shattuck, of Guilford, Vt, who d. May 5, 1867, a. 87.

Ch.: Frederick, m. Mary Collins; they had 16 ch.
William, m. Hanner Waggener (?) of N. Y.
Lydia, m. Tyler C. Stone, of N. Y.
Sibyl, m. John Barrett, of Hins.
Oliver, m. Martha Wright, of Ver.
Hiram, m. Cynthia Perry, of Nfd.; had 10 ch.
Eliphalet, m. Phebe Bolton, of Winch.
Seth, m. Minerva Moss, of Winch.
Franklin, m. Elizabeth Howard, of Winch.
Jackson, m. Mary J. Howard, of Winch.
Philinda, m. Rufus Lines, of Hins.
Sophia, m. Seril (?) Howard, of Winch.
Otis, m. Rophelia Howard, of Winch.
And four who d. young.

9. Seth, s. of Oliver (5), b. 1781; sett. in Hins.; d. April 4, 1844. He m. Apr. 14, 1801, Eunice, dau. Eldad Wright, of Winch. She d. Nov. 30, 1836, a. 56.

Ch.: Londus Bardwell, April 20, 1802.
Twin daus., b. and d. March 11, 1804.
Lucius, April 25, 1805, d. July 23, 1831.
Charles O., March 29, 1807.
Eunice, July 15, 1809, m. — Rice. She d. Jan. 11, 1839.
Seth Otis, July 23, 1811.
Lucy, April 7, 1814, d. Dec. 29, 1830.
Love, July 25, 1817.
Elizabeth, July 23, 1819.
Joseph, July 5, 1822.
Benjamin, July 5, 1824.

DORRELL, William, b. in England, March 15, 1752; came over in the army of Burgoyne, and cap. with him; was at Nfd. 1784, having bef. lived in Petersham, and Warwick; he rem. to Leyden, where abt. 1794 he established a sect called *Dorrelites*, which flourished four or five years. He d. a pauper, in Leyden, Aug. 28, 1846, a. 94.

He m. in Petersham, Polly Chase. He left descendents.

DOUBLEDAY, Elijah, 1763.

DUDLEY, Paul, 1786; rem. before 1801. He m. Martha ——.

Ch.: Nancy, July 2, 1792, d. Oct. 2, 1794. Arad, bapt. Feb. 12, 1797.

DUMAR, Samuel, 1786.

DUNCAN, John, 1808.

DUNCAN, Samuel, 1786.

DURANT, Samuel, 1817–18.

DURKEE, Thomas, 1807–15. He m. Jan. 31, 1805, Susanna Stebbins.

1. DUTTON, Timothy, b. abt. 1737; deacon; Esq.; a merchant, of Hebron, Ct.; rem. to Nfd., 1796, where he continued the same business for

many years; rep.; often occupied offices of trust and honor; he d. Aug. 31, 1814, a. 78.

He m. Martha Bartholomew, who d. March 29, 1802. (2), 1802, Tryphena, wid. of Col. Samuel Williams, of Warwick, dau. Gad Lyman, Nhn. She d. Jan. 5, 1830.

Ch.: Lois, Nov. 12, 1759, m. Sept. 25, 1781, Capt. David Barber, Hebron, Ct.
Timothy, d. at the age of 14.
Martha, m. Jonathan Townsend.
Lydia, m. John Man, Hebron, Ct.
Olive, m. Sept. 10, 1797, John Gould, of Vernon, Ct., and Hins.
Lucy, d. young.
Timothy B., abt. 1776 (2).

2. Timothy B., s. of Timothy (1), b. 1776; ensign; deacon; merchant in co. with his father; selectman, 5 consecutive years; filled many places of public trust; d. July 8, 1821.

He m. Aug. 8, 1803, Mary, dau. Col. Samuel Williams. She d. Dec. 10, 1827, a. 44.

Ch.: Timothy, March 23, 1805 (3).
Tryphena L., May 10, 1807, d. March 14, 1826.
Mary W., Nov. 3, 1809, m. Dr. Asa S. Rudduck, Buckland.
Samuel W., May 13, 1813 (4).
Amariah, July 2, 1815, d. Aug. 14, 1822.
Infant son, d. April 22, 1818.
Lucy, Oct. 11, 1819, d. Sept. 5, 1822.

3. Timothy, s. of Timothy B. (2), b. 1805; sett. in Edgington, Ill.

He m. Dec. 9, 1827, Adeline Maynard, who d. Dec 23, 1832, a. 27.

Ch.: Lucy, Sept. 9, 1828, m. Sept. 28, 1856, Samuel Woodruff, of Hartford.
Adeline, July 25, 1830, m. April 12, 1872, Elisha Alexander.
Timothy, Feb. 9, 1832, d. Oct. 13, 1834.
Infant son, d. Nov. 8, 1832.

4. Samuel W., s. of Timothy B. (2), b. 1813; deacon; rep.; town treasurer 29 years; town clerk 18 years; selectman many years; school committee 12 years; a useful citizen in many other stations.

He m. Dec. 3, 1835, Mary Dascom, of Milton, N. H., who d. Feb. 10, 1857, a. 53. (2), March 10, 1858, Mary, dau. Jona. White, of Erving.

Ch.: Samuel D., Sept. 3, 1836.
Mary T., Oct. 17, 1829.

EARLE, Robert, from Scotland, 1781; a shoemaker. His wife and infant ch. d. Feb. 4, 1786.

He m. (2), May 28, 1787, Lydia, dau. John Beaman.

Ch.: John, Jan. 23, 1788.
Abigail, Jan. 2, 1791.
Sally, April 19, 1793.
Robert, Oct. 22, 1795.

1. ELGAR, or ELGARR, Abraham; sol. under Capt. Kellogg, at Nfd., 1724, entered on roll as "servant to Rev. M. Doolittle;" was of Nfd. 1727; was alive 1766.

He m. Sarah ——.

Ch.: Thomas, April 21, 1732 (2).
Submit, Jan. 26, 1733-4, m. Dec. 28, 1754, Jacob Elmer.
Waitstill, March 8, 1736; sol. 1756; rem. to Hins. abt. 1790.

2. Thomas, s. of Abraham (2), b. 1732; served in the old French war, and in the war of the Rev. He is said to have made the inscription on Belding's rock, to mark the spot where Aaron Belding was killed. Of Winch. 1762; d. Feb. 6, 1801.

He m. May, 1783, Azubah Briggs, of Hins., who d. April 9, 1844.

Ch.: Salma, 1784, m. Dec. 1, 1808, Rebecca Peck, of Royalston.
Mary, March 6, 1786.
Leonard B., Dec. 18, 1788.

Sally, 1790, m. Dec. 22, 1807, Aaron Morse.
Azubah, March 9, 1791.
Abraham B., Feb. 28, 1794.
Submit.
Lucinda, Feb. 9, 1797.
Prob. William L., who m. Dec. 3, 1818, Sophronia Slowter.
Prob. Lucy, who m. March 3, 1822, Wm. Webster, Jr.

ELLES, Enoch, 1761–90.

ELLES, Moses, 1814–15.

ELLES, William, 1790; sol. in war 1812, at the age of 60.
He m May 28, 1793, Esubia Morse, of Warwick. ("*Seba*," on rec.)

Ch.: Mary, Nov. 15, 1797.
Jonas, Jan. 23, 1800.
Sylvanus, Dec. 28, 1801.
Aaron, Dec. 14, 1803.
Nancy, Jan. 26, 1806, d. Nov. 9, 1822.
Lucy, Feb. 10, 1808.
Elmira, Dec. 21, 1809.
Levina, Aug. 19, 1813, d. Aug. 5, 1814.
George, Aug. 7, 1816.

1. ELMER, Hezekiah, Dfd.; rem. to Nfd., 1717; sol., 1724, under Capt. Kellogg; alive 1754.
He m. Miriam ——, who d. Sept. 19, 1750.

Ch.: Miriam, Jan. 31, 1722.
Hezekiah, Sept. 29, 1724 (2).
Jacob, Dec. 13, 1726, d. Jan. 1, 1727.
Jacob, 1728 (3).
Daniel, July 3, 1730; of Sund. 1755; of Farmington, Ct., 1761.
Samuel, Sept. 20, 1732; was living with Simeon Alexander, 1753.
Gad, Oct. 4, 1734.
Thankful, and Deliverance, Jan. 2, 1736–7, sett. in Ver.; d. Jan. 11, 1804. His grave stone bears the following epitaph:

"Peaceful and silent here lies Dill,
What talents he had he used them well.
He did his best to merit fame.
Remember Dill, and do the same."

2. Hezekiah, s. of Hezekiah (1), b. 1724, d. March 30, 1810.
He m. May 30, 1751, Sarah, dau. Benoni Wright. She d. April 6, 1809, a. 79.

Ch.: Ann, Feb. 2, 1752, m. April 18, 1774, Abner Wright.
Elijah, Oct. 3, 1753; sett. in Hins.
Sarah, bapt. April 2, 1758, d. May 17, 1833.
Zilpha, bapt. Jan. 27, 1760.
Ozias, bapt. Aug. 22, 1762; Hins.; d. Nov. 13, 1838.
Hezekiah, bapt. Jan. 27, 1765, d. young.
Hezekiah, bapt. Sept. 13, 1766, m. Tabitha, dau. Eldad Wright, and d. in Hins., Feb. 23, 1822. She d. March 3, 1850, a. 80.
Philana, bapt. Jan. 5, 1772.

3. Jacob, s. of Hezekiah (1), b. 1728; sol. 1758; rem. from Sund. to Nfd., 1758, and thence to Hins., 1763.
He m. Dec. 28, 1754, Submit, dau. Abraham Elgar.

Ch.: Reuben, bapt. April 19, 1755; sett. in Hins.; d. May 9, 1844; m. Ruth —, who d. March 17, 1835, a. 76.
Elisha, bapt. Dec. 3, 1757.
John, bapt. July 5, 1763.

ELWELL, Asa, 1815. He m. Rhoda ——.

Ch.: Aretus.
Asa.
Rhoda.
Leonard.
Renoldo, Jan. 13, 1815.
Fidelia, Feb. 25, 1817.
Elizabeth, June 12, 1819.
Adams, May 17, 1825.
Per. Julia, who m. May 19, 1830, Erastus Holton.

ELWELL, Stephen, 1814. He m. Lucinda ——.

Ch.: Asher Allen, July 26, 1816.
Mary T., Nov. 30, 1818.
Henry, Sept. 25, 1820.

ELY, Thomas, 1788–9.

EMERSON, John, 1801.

ENOCH, Benjamin; a Burgoyne man. He m. Fanny, dau. John Field.

ESTERBROOKS, Robert, 1815.

1. EVANS, John; Roxbury; Dfd., before Philips' War, and again, 1685–95.

He m. Mary ——. (2), July, 1677, Mary, wid. of Experience Hinsdale, dau. John Hawks.

Ch.: John, bapt. July 30, 1671, m. June 21, 1716, Rebecca Merrick; sett. in Spfd.
Peter, April 27, 1673, d. young.
Peter, June 21, 1674 (2).
Ellinor, Jan. 8, 1678.
Jona, March 10, 1679.
Randal, 1682.

2. Peter, s. of John (1), b. 1674; rem. to Nfd. abt. 1716; d. July 8, 1752.

He m. April 8, 1708, Mary, dau. Edward Allen. She d. in Hins., May 1772, a. 83.

Ch.: John, Dec. 2, 1711 (3).
Peter, Feb. 11, 1713–14 (4).
Mary, Nov. 11, 1717, d. young.
Moses, March 17, 1721 (5).
Randal, March 25, 1727–8 (6).

3. John, s. of Peter (2), b. 1711; lieut.; Hins, 1753; d. Feb. 23, 1781.

He m. Lydia, dau. Rev. Benj. Doolittle. She d. April 2, 1806, a. 85.

Ch.: Asher; major, at Rockingham, Vt., 1779.
Ethni.
Ore.
Zeri, of Hartland, Vt., 1786.
Asa, of Hartland, 1786.
Henry; sett. in Guilford, Vt.
Eldad, } April 27, } m. Betsey; sett. in
Mindwell, } 1749. } Hinsdale.
Medad, 1750, m. Mary, who d. March 8, 1833, a. 83. He d. April 11, 1833.
Lydia, bapt. Nov. 16, 1751, m. 1773, Ebenezer Cooper.
Urial, bapt. Sept. 23, 1753, m. Oct. 10, 1774, Lucinda Evans.
John, bapt. June 29, 1755, d. young.
Elzi, bapt. July 2, 1758; of Hartland, 1768.
John, bapt. Nov. 2, 1760, m. Dec. 30, 1778, Rhoda Putnam.
Phila, bapt. Dec. 12, 1762.
Selah, 1678, d. Oct. 11, 1792.

4. Peter, s., of Peter (2), b. 1714; deacon; dis. from ch., in Nfd., with wife, Aug. 14, 1763, "to lie in the foundations of the ch. in Hins."

He m. Ruth ——.

Ch.: Ruth, Jan. 9, 1739.
Peter, Dec. 7, 1741.
Asher, Aug. 7, 1744.
Jesse, July 7, 1746.
Naomi, July 7, 1748.
Vashti, Sept. 3, 1750.
Eli, bapt. June 10, 1754.

5. Moses, s. of Peter (2), b. 1721; sol. in French war, 1756; rem. to Warwick, abt. 1761; d. Feb. 6, 1807.

He m. Chloe, dau. Rev. Benjamin Doolittle.

Ch.: Mary, Oct. 29, 1746, d. in infancy.
Moses, Oct. 15, 1747; sett. in Warwick.
Mercy, Sept. 29, 1749.
Lucretia, Feb. 2, 1752, m. Urial Evans.
Ira, Feb. 5, 1754.
Joseph, Oct. 10, 1756.
Anner, March 28, 1759.
Imri, Dec. 7, 1761.
Zerah; of Windsor, Vt., 1786.
Arad, Aug. 12, 1770.

6. Randall, s. of Peter (2), b. 1728; rem. to Waterbury, Ct., after Aug., 1753.

He m. Phebe ——.

Ch.: Randall, Sept. 21, 1752.

1. EVERETT, EVERARD, Richard, one of the founders of Dedham, 1636.

He m. Mary ——.

Ch.: John (2).
Mary, Sept. 28, 1638 (7?), m. Sept., 1662, James Macker.
Samuel, March 31, 1639, m. Oct. 28, 1669, Mary Pepper.
Sarah, March 14, 1641, d. April 1, 1641.
James, March 14, 1643, d. April 21, 1643.
Sarah, June 12, 1644, m. July 24, 1665, Cornelius Fisher.
Abigail, Nov. 19, 1647, m. April, 1677, Matthias Puffer.
Israel, July 14, 1651, m. Abigail —.
Ruth, June 14, 1653.
Jedediah, July 11, 1656, m. Rachael —.

2. John, s. of Richard (1); Dedham; captain; d. June 17, 1715.

He m. May 13, 1662, Elizabeth, dau. Robert Pepper, of Roxbury.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Nov. 6, 1665.
Hannah, Sept. 14, 1670.
Bethiah, Oct. 3, 1673.
John, June 9, 1676 (3).
William, Jan. 20, 1678, m. Feb. 24, 1703, Rachael Newcomb.
Israel, April 8, 1681.
Richard, Aug. 24, 1683, m. March 3, 1708–9, Mary Fuller.

3. John, s. of John (2), b. 1676, d. March 20, 1751.

He m. Jan. 3, 1700, Mercy Brown.

Ch.: John, May 1, 1701, m. Aug. 31, 1749, Mary Bennett, of Wrentham.
Joseph, July 31, 1703 (4).
Ebenezer, Aug. 5, 1707, m. Joanna Stevens.
Eleazer, } July 29, } d. Sept. 3, 1710.
Mercy, } 1710, } m. May 3, 1737, Jona. Newcomb, of Norton.
Eleazer, Aug. 10, 1712, m. Aug. 12, 1735, Judith, Dean. (2), Bethia Morse.
Edward, Oct. 18, 1714, m. Mary —.
Hannah, Jan. 5, 1717, m. — Draper.
Abigail, Nov. 3, 1718, m. Dec. 16, 1740, Eliphalet Fales.
Mary, March 8, 1720–1, m. Nov. 24, 1743, Benjamin Newcomb.

4. Joseph, s. of John (3), b. 1703.

He m. Feb. 1, 1727, Hannah Richards, of Stoughton.

Ch.: John, Jan. 3, 1728, m. 1760, Mary Smith.
Hannah, Nov. 1, 1730, m. Aug. 5, 1760, Nathan Clark, Jr.
Joseph, Feb. 1, or 10, 1732–3, m. Keziah Ware, of Wrentham.
James, July 23, 1735, d. s. p. bef. 1774.
Jesse, Aug. 29, 1738, m. Eunice Hartwell, of Canton.
Abigail, Dec. 25, 1740, m. Oct. 9, 1760, Elijah Hawes. (2), Jacob Hewins.
Catherine, May 20, 1743, m. Aug. 24, 1764, Micah Allen.
Edward, Oct. 26, 1745.
Elizabeth, April 8, 1748, m. Isaac Dean, of Mansfield.
Oliver, April 11, 1750 (5).

5. Oliver, s. of Joseph (4), b. 1750, d. July 28, 1827.

He m. Sept. 19, or Nov. 15, 1773, Susanna Capen.

Ch.: Hannah, Aug. 11, 1774, m. Nov., 1794, Benjamin Reynolds, of Sharon.
Oliver, Aug. 19, 1776, m. Hannah Stover. (2), Wid. Bartol.
Otis, Oct. 17, 1778 (6).
Moses, Dec. 26, 1780, m. Nov. 8, 1810, Elizabeth Gore.
Aaron, Jan. 2, 1783, m. Feb. 22, 1807, Sarah McKindry, of Canton.
Susan, Feb. 23, 1785, m. 1813, Nathaniel Kimball, of Goffstown, N. H.
Elizabeth, Jan. 9, 1788, m. May 9, 1809, Ebenezer Tisdale; he d. Aug. 31, 1811. (2), April 16, 1818, Samuel Tolman, of Boston.
Joseph, Sept. 14, 1790, d. May 18, 1794.

6. EVERETT, Otis, s. of Oliver (5), b. 1778. He presented the first parish with a library, and a fund to keep it up; was much interested in improvements in the street and burial ground. He d. Jan. 4, 1849.

He m. May 24, 1801, Hannah Ross, who d. Aug. 30, 1804. (2), Feb. 18, 1806, Elizabeth Hurd, who d. May 26, 1822. (3), Jan. 29, 1829, Lucretia Gore, who d. July 23, 1832. (4), Nov. 21, 1843, Lydia, wid. of Aaron Lord, dau. of Adrastus Doolittle.

Ch.: Hannah, July 13, 1802, d. in infancy.
Otis, June 5, 1803, m. Oct. 25, 1827, Elizabeth L. Blake.
Hannah Ross, Aug. 18, 1804, d. Sept. 29, 1805.
Rebecca L., June 13, 1807, m. Dec. 24, 1828, Henry Curtis, of Boston.
Catherine E., Aug. 17, 1808, d. May 6, 1809.
John Hurd, Jan. 16, 1810.
Oliver Capen, Aug. 20, 1811 (2).
Hannah E., Jan. 15, 1813, m. Sept. 11, 1833, John D. Weld, of Boston.
Mary Russell, Dec. 24, 1814, m. Nov. 21, 1833, Samuel S. Curtis.
Susan Capen, Jan. 2, 1817, m. Jan. 2, 1838, John A. Richardson.
Anna Foster, Nov. 6, 1820, m. June 9, 1842, Alfred H. Sumner.
Lucretia Gore, July 15, 1832, m. Nov. 13, 1856, Arthur E. French.

7. Oliver C., s. of Otis (1), b. 1811; H. C. 1832; clergyman; sett. over the First Parish in Nfd., March 8, 1837; dis. Nov. 26, 1848.

He m. May 25, 1837, Betsey W., dau. Daniel Weld, of Boston.

Ch.: Oliver Weld, July 20, 1838, d. Sept. 19, 1844.
Edward Franklin, May 28, 1840.
Moses Williams, d. 1856.
Oliver Hurd.

FAIRBANKS, Luther; blacksmith; joined the army at Lexington, April, 1775; enlisted in May following under Capt. Elihu Smith; was sergeant in Capt. Jonas Hubbard's co., in the expedition to Quebec, and was taken pris. at the storming of that city, Dec. 31, 1776; released on parole, Sept., 1776; being exchanged, re-enlisted Feb., 1777; was present at the cap. of Burgoyne; went to New Jersey, where Gen. Patterson appointed him wagon-conductor to his brigade; acted until his discharge, by order of Gen. Green, July, 1778, receiving the pay of captain of infantry. After the close of the war he rem. to Pittsfield, Vt., where he d. Dec. 6, 1836, a. 80. He was m. twice, but left no ch.

FAIRBANKS, Nathan, 1755.

He m. Sept. 21, 1794, Clarissa, dau. Amasa Sheldon, of Ber.

FAIRBANKS, Susanna, b. 1761. She m. July 16, 1782, John Burt.

FAIRMAN, John, b. 1750; enlisted into the continental army for three years, March, 1777; discharged at Morristown, N. J.; d. Jan. 14, 1827.

He m. Elizabeth Pelton. She d. March 12, 1826, a. 62.

Ch.: Prob. John, 1788; sol., 1812; m. Eunice Streeter.
Jude, 1790.
Zerah, 1793.
Lucina, abt. 1795, m. Moses Caldwell.
Joab, 1799, m. Betsey, wid. Moses Malory, dau. John Caldwell.
Asa, 1803, m. wid. — Russell.
Elijah, 1813, m. Harriet Arling.

FARRAR, Adam; reed maker, 1790; d. 1811.

He m. Jan. 2, 1798, Lydia Jennings, of War.

Ch.: Polly, May 31, 1798, m. Aug. 17, 1817, Warren Bancroft, of War.
Nathaniel, Nov. 11, 1799.

FARRAR, John, fr. Hardwick, 1766; Rev. sol.; d. March 19, 1780, a. 46. Name of wife unknown. She d. March 9, 1774, a. 34.

Ch.: Eunice, bapt. Feb. 10, 1768.
Tabitha, bapt. Nov. 19, 1769.
Nathaniel, bapt. March 1, 1772.
Child, b. and d. March 5, 1774.

FELTON, Charles, 1806; rem. to Dfd., 1812.

FELTON, William; taxed, 1791, for three polls.

FELTON, Polly. She m. Sept. 28, 1802, Josiah Fisher.

FIELD, Israel, from Bratt. 1776; went back 1781. Wife unknown.

Ch.: Lucinda, bapt. Aug. 4, 1776.
Josiah, bapt. Dec. 5, 1779.

FIELD, Reuben, 1763; in Rev. army 1776.

1. **FIELD, Zecheriah**, b. in England, 1600; of Dorchester, 1630; of Hart., 1639–49; Nhn., 1659; Hfd., 1663, where he d. June 30, 1666.

He m. Mary ——.

Ch.: Mary, m. Oct. 2, 1663, Joshua Carter, of Dfd., who was killed with Capt. Lothrop, Sept. 18, 1675.
Zecheriah (2).
John, m. Dec. 15, 1670, Mary, dau. Alexander Edwards. He d. June 26, 1717.
Samuel (3).
Joseph, abt. 1659, m. June 28, 1683, Joanna Wyatt, who d. March 22, 1723. (2), May 2, 1723, Mary, dau. Thomas Wells, and wid. of Stephen Belding, of Hfd. She d. in Nfd., March 15, 1751. He d. in Sund., Feb. 15, 1736.

2. **Zecheriah**, s. of Zecheriah (1); sett. in Dfd.; d. 1674.

He m. Dec. 17, 1668, Sarah, dau. John Webb, of Nhn. She m. (2), Robert Price. She was killed at Dfd., Feb. 29, 1704.

Ch.: Zecheriah, 1669, d. young.
Ebenezer, Oct. 31, 1671; sett. in East Guilford, Ct., 1696.
John, Dec. 8, 1673 (4).

3. **Samuel**, s. of Zecheriah (1); sett. in Hfd.; in the Falls Fight; was killed by Indians, June 24, 1697.

He m. Aug. 9, 1676, Sarah, dau. Thomas Gilbert, of Spfd.

Ch.: Samuel, Sept. 27, 1678, m. Sarah (Edwards), wid. of David Hoyt, of Dfd.
Thomas, June 30, 1680, m. Oct. 21, 1713, Sarah Dickinson, of Springfield.
Sarah, June 30, 1683, m. Nov. 18, 1702, Samuel Warner, of Springfield.
Zecheriah, Aug. 29, 1685 (5).
Ebenezer, March 17, 1688 (6).
Mary, July 23, 1690.
Josiah, Nov. 5, 1692 (7).
Joshua, April 9, 1695, m. Dec. 15, 1719, Elizabeth Cooley, of Springfield.

4. **John**, s. of Zecheriah (2), b. 1673; sett. in Dfd.; his family was broken up Feb. 29, 1704; was of East Guilford, Ct., 1707; rem. to Coventry, where he d. 1718.

He m. Nov., 1696, Mary, dau. James Bennet, of Nhn. She was taken cap. 1704, but returned from Canada in a few years.

Ch.: Mary, 1697. She was cap. with her mother, was adopted into an Indian family, who gave her the name of Walahowey. She m. an Indian, and came with him to visit her relations in Ct., and sent to Nfd. for her brother Pedajah; her friends made every effort to have them both remain, and Pedajah urged them to go to Nfd. and live with him; the Indian was willing, but Mary had become so firmly attached to her savage life, that she would not consent. She told her brother that he should be cap. and taken to Canada. Pedajah firmly believed that the attempt was made one day, while he was mowing in Little Meadow; which was only frustrated by his taking the alarm. He used every precaution to prevent a surprise, and escaped in his canoe over to Pauchaug, where other men were at work. Nothing more is known of Mary.

John, Oct. 4, 1700; cap. 1704, but returned.
Sarah, April 14, 1703, killed Feb. 29, 1704.
Pedajah, Jan. 28, 1707 (8).
Bennet, Dec. 13, 1709.
Sarah, July 20, 1712.

5. ZECHERIAH, s. of Samuel (3); b. 1685; captain; Dfd., 1698, where he became a large land holder; rem. to Nfd. as early as 1716, and soon took a leading position in civil and military affairs; d. Aug. 15, 1746.

He m. Dec. 21, 1711, Sarah, dau. Philip Mattoon, of Dfd. She was one of that miserable company captured at Dfd., Feb. 29, 1704, and carried to Canada; then 17 years old. Zecheriah was one of that party which followed and fought the retreating enemy on Dfd. Meadows, in the brave but vain attempt to rescue the captives.

In the settlement of the estate of *Mathew Clesson*, who was killed at Dfd., by Indians, June 23, 1709, "Sarah Mattoon, who was like to be married to said deceased," shared alike with his brothers and sisters in the division of his property, by order of the Probate Court. She m. (2), June 25, 1750, Dea. Samuel Childs, of Dfd., where she d. March 21, 1752.

Ch.: Seth, Sept. 28, 1712 (9).
Sarah, Nov. 4, 1713, d. April 23, 1722.
Catherine, Feb. 11, 1715, m. — Willard.
Gaius, April 2, 1716 (10).
Ebenezer, June 11, 1717 (11).
Samuel, July 6, 1719 (12).
Paul, Jan. 23, 1721 (13).
Silas, July 4, 1722, d. Sept. 23, 1722.
Rufus, April 10, 1724, d. Sept. 19, 1724.
Zecheriah, July 22, 1726, d. Sept. 12, 1726.

6. EBENEZER, s. of Samuel (3), b. 1688; sett. at Dfd., where his three first ch. were born, and where he held large tracts of meadow land. March 10, 1719, he had a "grant of 30 acres of land, on condition he came to Nfd., with his family, within 15 months, and his employing himself in his trade for the supply of the people." He rem. to Nfd., 1720, and worked at his trade as blacksmith. He d. Sept. 12, 1723. There is a tradition among his descendants, that being mistaken in the twilight for an Indian, he was shot by a sentry, and wounded in the thigh; that being carried to Dfd. for treatment, he d. under the hands of the surgeon.

He m. Elizabeth, dau. William Arms, of Dfd. She m. (2), Azariah Wright, with whom she lived 46 years. She d. Oct. 1, 1772, a. 77. She was the first school dame in Nfd., and a noted woman there.

Ch.: Ebenezer, June 15, 1715 (14).
Joanna, April 6, 1777, m. abt. 1737, Phineas Wright.
Moses, Feb. 19, 1718–19 (15).
Aaron, March 17, 1721, m. Eunice Frary, and sett. in Ber.
Elizabeth, Jan. 3, 1722–3, m. Ebenezer Wells, of Gfd.

7. JOSIAH, s. of Samuel (3), b. 1692; rem. from Dfd. to Nfd., 1724. In 1726 he sold his home lot there, and rem. to Ct.

He m. Elizabeth ——.

Ch.: Josiah, Feb. 24, 1723–4.

8. **Pedajah**, s. of John (4), b. 1707; horse doctor; of Arlington, 1736; Nfd., 1737; of Enfield, Ct., 1749–50; d. in Nfd., Feb. 24, 1798.

He m. Hannah ——, who d. abt. 1754. (2), Abigail ——, who d. Feb. 25, 1792, a. 78.

Ch.: Pedajah, before 1733; lived with Elijah Williams, at Enfield, 1749; sol. 1757, from Northfield.
Mary, m. Stephen Cooley, of Long Meadow.
Sarah, 1738, m. June 8, 1755, Ebenezer Janes.
Ruth, d. Oct. 17, 1756.
Abigail, d. Aug. 7, 1754.
Eunice, d. unm. at Athens, Vt.
Reuben; Rev. sol.; m. Hannah Alden. (2), Ann (Hall) Larabee; rem. to Rochester, N. Y.
Bennet, m. Elizabeth Ferrin; sett. in Athens.
Ann, m. James Nichols, of Athens.
John (16).
Hannah, bapt. Aug. 13, 1753, m. — Ward.
Nathan, bapt. Sept. 21, 1755, m. Abigail Bullard; sett. in Oakham.
Abigail, bapt. April 16, 1756, m. Aug. 19, 1775, Samuel Warner.

9. **Seth**, s. of Zecheriah (3), b. 1712; grad. Y. C., 1732; many years the leading man in town; town treasurer and clerk for a long time, and school master for 40 years. Dea. Phineas Field calls him "the father of Unitarianism in Nfd." He had been fitted for college by Rev. Mr. Doolittle, and probably imbibed his liberal sentiments. Served under Capt. Kellogg, 1733, and took an active part in the defense of the frontier, during the French and Indian wars; was captain in Col. Israel Williams's regiment, 1759. He d. May 3, 1792.

He m. Susanna, dau. Rev. Benjamin Doolittle. She d. Nov. 15, 1787, a. 61.

Ch.: George, Dec. 22, 1742 (17).
Rufus, Nov. 22, 1744 (18).
Katherine, May 29, 1746, d. Aug. 24, 1746.
Katherine, Aug. 1, 1747, m. Sept. 23, 1767, Elijah Mattoon.
Sibyl, Oct. 15, 1749, m. Aug. 5, 1768, Oliver Doolittle.
Susanna, July 10, 1751, m. March 18, 1771, Asahel Stebbins.
Francis, June 23, 1753, d. Feb. 1, 1770.
Olive, Aug. 19, 1755, m. Cotton Dickinson.
Rhoda, Oct. 21, 1757, m. Sylvanus Watriss.
Henry, Sept. 2, 1759 (19).
Seth, Nov. 6, 1761; doctor; Rev. sol., 1780.
Fanny, Nov. 6, 1763, m. Feb. 15, 1786, Asa Gates, of Brimfield.
Charles F., Aug. 20, 1765, d. Feb. 21, 1792.
Theodore, May 7, 1769; rem. to Brookfield.

10. **Gaius**, s. of Zecheriah (5), b. 1716; rem. to Winchester.

He m. Sarah, dau. Eleazer Holton.

Ch.: Zechariah; prob. Joshua, and Gaius a Rev. sol.

11. **Ebenezer**, s. of Zecheriah (5), b. 1716; doctor; sol. in French wars, 1748–1756; d. April 9, 1759.

He m. Abigail, dau. Wm. Holton. She m. (2), Oct. 8, 1767, Dea. Samuel Smith. She d. June 7, 1801, a. 80.

Ch.: William, Nov. 25, 1744 (20).
Dinah, Jan. 26, 1746–7, m. Dec. 19, 1775, Charles Bowen, Charlestown, N. H.
Jesse, Nov. 23, 1749.
Lucy, Dec. 23, 1751.
Levi, April 25, 1755; Rev. sol., 1779.
Asa, Nov. 9, 1757; Rev. sol., 1779.

12. Samuel, s. of Zecheriah (5), b. 1719; sol., 1756; d. June 17, 1789. He m. 1745, Abigail, dau. Joseph Field, of Sunderland. She d. Nov. 2, 1803, a. 81.

Ch.: Mary, May 14, 1746, d. Nov. 1, 1746.
Silas, Nov. 16, 1747 (21).
Mercy, Jan. 9, 1750, d. unm. Nov. 12, 1804.
Submit, April 9, 1752, d. June 26, 1762.
Samuel, March 3, 1755 (22).
Aseneth, Nov. 27, 1757, m. Nov. 19, 1778, Rufus Stratton.
Abigail, Sept. 7, 1764, d. unm.

13. Paul, s. of Zecheriah (5), b. 1721; deacon; d. of small pox, June 20, 1778.

He m. Christian, dau. Isaac Hubbard, of Sund. She m. (2), May 24, 1786, landlord Ebenezer Field, whom she soon left. She d. Nov. 6, 1795, a. 62.

Ch.: Spencer, Sept. 26, 1754; doctor; sett. in Brookfield.
Roxana, May 12, 1756, m. John Stratton, of Hinsdale.
Walter, Nov. 24, 1758 (23).
Christian, May 20, 1761, m. Jan. 4, 1784, Hollis Taylor, Hinsdale.
Editha, Dec. 15, 1763, m. Dec. 21, 1784, Benjamin Doolittle, Winch.
Sarah, June 7, 1766, d. May 26, 1790.
Zecheriah, Sept. 27, 1768 (24).
Thankful, July 25, 1771, d. Feb. 9, 1775.
Hubbard, Sept. 20, 1775; doctor; sett. in Lyndon, Vt.
Thankful, Sept. 25, 1777, d. Sept. 26, 1777.

14. Ebenezer, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1715; tavern keeper, and tailor; d. Aug. 12, 1801.

He m. Sarah, dau. Eleazer Mattoon. She d. Oct. 29, 1785, a. 63. (2), May 24, 1786, Christain, wid. of Paul Field; receiving unchristian treatment from her husband, Christian went back to her children, with whom she d., Nov. 6, 1795, a. 62. While his second wife was still living, Ebenezer married (3), Oct. 9, 1793, wid. Abigail Chapin, of Orange, who d. June 7, 1801, a. 73.

Ch.: Lydia, Sept. 12, 1742.
Ebenezer, Oct. 11, 1744 (25).
Sarah, Nov. 4, 1747, m. April 29, 1784, David Allen, East Windsor, Ct.
Abner, May 27, 1750 (26).
Lucy, Sept. 20, 1752, m. Oliver Watriss.
Keziah, d. Feb. 3, 1755.
Keziah, Oct. 24, 1756, m. July 13, 1806, James King, Dummerston, Vt.

15. Moses, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1719; ensign; he was famous as a trapper of wolves, and once, when the bounty was $20 a head, he caught two at a time; on this occasion, Esq. Field told him, that "Providence had fairly snickered on him" that day; he d. Nov. 22, 1787.

He m. Aug. 20, 1740, Ann Dickinson, b. at Hfd. Aug. 6, 1721, d. Oct. 16, 1755. (2), Aug. 12, 1756, Martha Root, of Sunderland. She m. (2), Dec. 24, 1793, Enoch Bardwell, of Mont. She d. March 3, 1813, a. 89.

Ch.: Ann, Jan. 6, 1741–2, d. same day.
Moses D., Feb. 10, 1742–3; lieutenant; is said to have shot Gen. Baum, at the battle of Bennington; sett. in Surry, N. H.; d. Sept., 1825.
Ann, Nov. 12, 1744, m. Dea. Eli Darte, (since *Dort*), Phila.
Solomon, June 28, 1746.
Elizabeth, March 30, 1748, m. Rufus Field.
Noah, Nov. 29, 1750, m. Aug. 19, 1773, Mary Brown, Whately, and d. July 8, 1797.
Rebecca, Aug. 13, 1752, m. Abigail Benton, of Surrey, N. H.
Medad, Oct. 5, 1755, d. Oct. 17, 1756.
Martha, June 11, 1757, m. abt. 1781, Squire Howe, one of the children of Caleb Howe, taken cap. at Fort Bridgman, 1755.
Medad, April 25, 1759 (27).
Phineas, Nov. 29, 1760 (28).
John Montague, July 2, 1764 (29).

16. John, s. of Pedajah (8).

He m. Sibyl, dau. John Allen; per. she m. (2), 1804, Noah Munn.

Ch.: Nabby, Feb. 4, 1778.
Lucy, Sept. 12, 1779.
John, June 3, 1781 (30).
Oliver, Feb. 11, 1783 (31).
Elihu, Dec. 30, 1784, m. Betsey Stratton; sett. in Wardsboro, Vt.
Fanny, Nov. 14, 1788, m. Benj. Enoch.

17. George, s. of Seth (9), 1742; sergeant, at the surrender of Burgoyne; d. Jan. 22, 1803.

He m. July 5, 1769, Martha, dau. Samuel Smith. She d. March 13, 1830, a. 81.

Ch.: Malinda, July 20, 1770, m. Dec. 8, 1791, Bernice Foot, Greenfield.
Francis, April 28, 1772.
Pattee, May 26, 1775, m. Adrastus Doolittle.
Roswell, March 19, 1777 (32).
Polly, Feb. 28, 1779, m. May 28, 1806, Edward Banks.
George, June 16, 1781 (33).
Lucretia, July 9, 1783, d. Oct. 4, 1807.
Jesse, Oct. 5, 1787.
Seth, Aug. 26, 1791.
Elihu, Nov. 10, 1794.

18. Rufus, s. of Seth (9), b. 1744. He m. Elizabeth, dau. Moses Field.

Ch.: Clarissa, Aug. 25, 1765, born blind.
Elizabeth, Feb. 16, 1768, m. Jan. 1, 1789, Edward Nettleton.
Sylvester, July 13, 1770 (34).
Charlotte, Dec. 3, 1772, d. Dec. 21, 1835.
Kate, Jan. 31, 1776, m. Dec. 12, 1795, John Robbins.
Hollis, Jan. 22, 1778, m. Jan. 21, 1806, Betsey Jennings.
Rufus, June 16, 1780, m. Harriet Jennings.
Alice, Jan. 28, 1783, m. Daniel Kenney.
Lydia T., Jan. 22, 1785, m. Nov. 28, 1805, John Holbrook.
Fanny, Jan. 11, 1788.
Seth, May 13, 1791, m. Feb. 9, 1814, Polly Coy.

19. Henry, s. of Seth (9); Rev. sol., 1779; d. Jan. 4, 1813.

He m. Feb. 3, 1783, Rhoda Stratton, who d. Nov. 21, 1833, a. 71.

Ch.: Sopha, bapt. Sept. 7, 1783.
Rhoda, Feb. 6, 1785, m. Aug. 19, 1806, Dr. Cyrus Washburn, of Vernon.
Henry, Oct. 3, 1789 (35).
Charles F., April 1, 1794 (36).
Zenophen, April 18, 1797 (37).
Mary S., Sept. 16, 1799, d. Sept. 16, 1803.
Erasmus J., Feb. 4, 1808, d. Aug. 20, 1827.

20. William, s. of Ebenezer (11), b. 1744, d. Jan. 11, 1813.

He m. Nov. 13, 1769, Sarah, Petty, who d. Nov. 11, 1806.

Ch.: Nabby, Sept. 8, 1774, d. Sept. 23, 1775.
Ebenezer, Aug. 3, 1776; a sol. under Gen. Harrison, at Tipecanoe; d. unm. about 1858.
Nabby, Dec. 6, 1779, d. Nov. 20, 1785.
Sally, March 18, 1782, d. unm. May 2, 1807.
Billy, Nov. 23, 1785 (38).

21. Silas, s. of Samuel (12), b. 1747, d. Nov. 20, 1773.

He m. Aug. 16, 1773, Azubah Root, who d. April 20, 1774.

Ch.: Azubah R., March 25, 1774, m. April 4, 1793, Gilbert Stacy.
Twin brother died at birth.

22. Samuel, s. of Samuel (12), b. 1755; "adjutant;" d. May 30, 1837. He m. May 14, 1776, Elizabeth, dau. Samuel Mattoon. She d. Aug. 23, 1838, a. 78.

Ch.: Rhoda, May 17, 1777, d. unm. Jan. 13, 1852.
Silas, April 12, 1779 (39).
Elisha, Jan. 28, 1781, m. Miriam Hancock; sea captain; res. in Boston; raised a co. of infantry, which he commanded in the war of 1812; consul to Cape De Verd Islands; d. at Batavia, Island of Java, E. I., 1817.
Caleb, Dec. 8, 1782; rem. to Georgia.
Justin, Dec. 22, 1784, m. Harriet Powers; sett. in Boston.
Betsey, Jan. 14, 1787, d. July 20, 1787.
Betsey, July 12, 1788, d. Jan. 26, 1796.
Fanny, Sept. 26, 1790, m. Dec. 31, 1812, Isaac Gregory.
Samuel, Nov. 2, 1792, m. Martha Bagnell; sett. in Georgia.
Submit, Nov. 6, 1794, m. Oct. 13, 1825, Samuel Hunt, and (2), Samuel C. Allen, Jr.
Betsey, Jan. 26, 1797, d. unm. Nov. 28, 1851.
Timothy, Aug. 18, 1799, m. Sept., 1838, Louisa, dau. Obadiah Dickinson. She d. April, 1848.
Abigail, Aug. 11, 1802.
Mary, June 10, 1808, d. June 13, 1808.

23. Walter, s. of Paul (13), b. 1758, d. May 4, 1817. He m. Piana Pettee, who d. May 2, 1800, a. 58.

Ch.: Nancy, July 14, 1783, m. Sept. 13, 1810, Levi Stoddard, Brattleboro, Vt.
Paul, Jan. 22, 1785, d. Sept. 28, 1810.
Roxana, July 2, 1787, m. Oct. 28, 1807, James O. Janes.
Philinda, Sept. 18, 1789, d. unm. June 22, 1813.
Erastus, Dec. 24, 1791 (40).
Sarah, Dec. 4, 1793, d. Oct. 23, 1794.
Sarah, Sept. 11, 1795, pub. Sept. 3, 1820, to John G. Mudge, Winch.
Gratia, March 3, 1798, m. Albro Blodget, Claremont, N. H.
Piana, April 20, 1800, d. Aug. 15, 1803.
Eloisa, Sept. 19, 1802, d. Sept. 19, 1803.
Walter, June 30, 1804, d. July 1, 1804.
Walter, Oct. 22, 1805 (41).
Eloisa Piana, June 4, 1808, m. John Mallord, of Georgia.

24. Zecheriah, s. of Paul (13), b. 1768, d. May 9, 1858. He m. Nov. 26, 1789, Abigail, dau. Dr. Samuel Mattoon. She d. Nov. 13, 1853, a. 84.

Ch.: Son, d. June 2, 1791, a. 9 hours.
Lucius, March 29, 1792, m. Lucia Hubbard; an auctioneer; Troy, N. Y.
Sophia, Aug. 12, 1794, m. Joseph Young.
Christian H., Oct. 12, 1796, m. James Jones, Athol.
Abigail, May 23, 1799, d. unm. Nov. 4, 1863.
Catherine, Nov. 25, 1801, d. unm. March 3, 1864.
Son, March 30, 1804, d. same day.
Spencer, March 31, 1805, d. Sept. 6, 1805.
Spencer, Oct. 8, 1806, m. Clara Humphrey.
Maria, Oct. 3, 1808, d. April 10, 1811.
Zecheriah, June 26, 1811, d. unm. in Troy, N. Y.
Charles, June 9, 1815 (42).

25. Ebenezer, s. of Ebenezer (14), b. 1744; sol. of '76; set off to Gill, 1795; d. 1811. He m. July 21, 1767, Eunice, dau. Benoni and Martha Wright.

Ch.: Aurelia, bapt. Oct. 16, 1768, d. Nov. 13, 1768.
Rodolphus W., bapt. Oct. 22, 1769; of Gill, 1800.
Bohan Prentice, bapt. April 26, 1772; D. C., 1795; lawyer; sett. in Maine; d. 1843.
Ebenezer S., bapt. May 7, 1775.
Amelia, bapt. March 11, 1778.
Emma, bapt. April 3, 1780.
Asaph Warren, bapt. June 5, 1783.
Loving Sheldon, bapt. April 9, 1786.
Gratia, bapt. Oct. 11, 1789.
Philana, bapt. Jan. 7, 1794.

26. Abner, s. of Ebenezer (14), b. 1750, d. July 17, 1832.

He m. Dec. 17, 1776, Mary, dau. Dr. Samuel Mattoon. She d. Dec. 19, 1840.

Ch.: George P., April 10, 1779, d. March 23, 1794.
Tirza P., April 6, 1781, m. April 4, 1816, Caleb Lyman. (2), John Huntington.
Polly H., April 2, 1783, m. May 31, 1804, Elijah Alexander.
Charles L., March 21, 1785; sett. in Bridgeport, Vt.
Sally E., March 2, 1786, d. unm. May 7, 1812.
Roswell, July 17, 1788, d. Dec. 24, 1788.
Roswell, Dec. 1, 1789 (43).
Lucy, Feb. 1, 1792, m. Henry Lyman.
George P., April 19, 1794, m. Pamelia, dau. Thomas Bardwell, of Deerfield.
Mirilla, Aug. 30, 1796, m. Oct. 23, 1822, James Anderson, Charlestown, N. H.
Abner, July 5, 1798.
Ebenezer, April 4, 1800.
Adelaide, Dec. 11, 1802.

27. Medad, s. of Moses (15), b. 1759, d. Feb. 18, 1848.

He m. Phebe Gould, of Petersham, who d. May 17, 1841, a. 76.

Ch.: Achsah, Feb. 6, 1797, m. May 28, 1816, David Eudy, Leyden. (2), Elisha Wells, Deerfield.
Solomon, Jan. 6, 1801, m. Prudence Gould.

28. Phineas, s. of Moses (15), b. 1760, d. Oct. 18, 1833.

He m. Jan. 6, 1785, Diadama, dau. Reuben Morgan. She d. Aug. 1, 1788, a. 24. (2), March 14, 1790, Eunice, dau. Capt. Seth Lyman. She d. Sept. 18, 1830, a. 60.

Ch.: Sharon, Oct. 17, 1785 (44).
Electa, July 23, 1787, m. Dr. John Topliff, who rem. from Wfd. to Quincy, Ill.
Diadama, Jan. 23, 1791, m. Oct. 29, 1815, Silas Jewell, of Guilford, N. Y.; d. Feb. 24, 1864.
Lucius, } Dec. } d. Jan. 9, 1793.
Lucy, } 22, } d. April 3, 1793.
Lura, } 1792, } d. unm. May 25, 1821.
Lucy, Aug. 21, 1796, m. March 5, 1816, Dea. Josiah Smith, of Gill.
Lucius, Aug. 21, 1796; clergyman; W. Coll., 1821; sett. at Tyringham, 1833; d. June 1, 1839.
Phineas, April 14, 1799; deacon; antiquary. He served two years "at the front," in the Sanitary Commission, during the great rebellion; res. in East Charlemont; m. May 11, 1831, Chloe M., dau. of Roger Leavitt; no ch.
Eunice, June 27, 1802, d. unm. Aug. 2, 1825.
Mary, May 9, 1805, m. Jan. 2, 1861, David Allen, of Putney, Vt. She d. Dec. 27, 1868.
Moses F., Aug. 11, 1808 (45).

29. John M., s. of Moses (15), b. 1764; doctor; practiced in Sullivan, N. H., and afterwards rem. to Penn.

He m. Jan. 19, 1794, Martha Harris, who d. July 5, 1801, a. 29. (2), June 15, 1802, Olive Clark, of Sullivan, who d. Feb. 4, 1838, a. 68.

Ch.: Joseph R., Oct. 5, 1794; grad. D. C., 1822; ord. as evangelist in Lawrence co., N. Y., 1827; d. in Nfd. Aug. 9, 1828.
Elijah H., Oct. 3, 1796, m. June 8, 1828, Ann Taylor; Methodist min. in Ohio.
Eliza, Aug. 19, 1798, m. March 8, 1818, John Presson, of Mexico, N. Y.
John, April 17, 1803, m. Olive C. Morse.
Lydia, Jan. 2, 1805, m. Jan. 14, 1840, Charles Barber, of Winch.; she d. Dec. 14, 1843.
Lucy, June 16, 1807, m. June 28, 1848, Charles Barber, of Winch.

30. John, s. of John (16), b. 1781.

He m. Nancy, dau. Lemuel McCarthy.

Ch.: Emily M., June 5, 1807, d. unm.
Harriet M., Sept. 10, 1809, m. Henry Holton.
John C., Oct. 3, 1811, m. wid. Abby (Lord) Harris; rem. Chelsea.
Esther S., Nov. 4, 1813, m. Samuel S. Holton.
Frederick H., April 30, 1816, m. — Doolittle; rem. to Winch.
Sibyl A., Dec. 20, 1819.

31. Oliver, s. of John (16), b. 1783; shoemaker.
He m. Rhoda Loveland.

Ch.: Elvira, Dec. 28, 1808, m. Avery Priest.
Harvey C., Jan. 20, 1811, m. Martha, dau. Calvin Stearns.
Rhoda, Feb. 23, 1813, m. Seth Holton.
Sophia A., Sept. 12, 1815, d. Oct. 2, 1822.
Gratia, Jan. 4, 1818, d. Feb. 4, 1818.
Gratia, Aug. 6, 1819.
Lucius O., Feb. 13, 1822, d. Oct. 16, 1822.
Lucius O., Jan. 20, 1824, m. Rhoda Field; rem. to Minn.
George E., Feb. 20, 1830.

32. Roswell, s. of George (17), b. 1777, d. July 21, 1835.
He m. Oct. 23, 1803, Eunice, dau. Simeon Alexander. She d. Feb. 14, 1821, a. 38.

Ch.: Eliza, March 15, 1804, m. James Merriam.
Simeon A., Oct. 13, 1805, m. Adeline (Merriman), wid. Lorenzo Stratton; rep., 1850.
Lucretia, July 20, 1807, d. Feb. 15, 1818.
Adeline, Sept. 20, 1809.
Charles P., Sept. 17, 1813.
Jerusha, June 16, 1816, m. M. W. Kelton, and d. 1855.
Horace F., March 8, 1818, m. Mary E—.
Sarah, Feb. 20, 1820, m. Horace Holton.

33. George, s. of George (17), b. 1781; rep. 1833; d. March 8, 1856.
He m. Dec. 2, 1805, Phila, dau. Elisha Holton. She d. Oct. 22, 1840, a. 54. (2), Feb. 16, 1841, Ruth, dau. Elijah Holton, wid. of Martin Scott. She m. (3), April 13, 1857, Job M. Dickinson.

Ch.: George, Sept. 2, 1806, d. July 1, 1810.
Son, April 3, 1808, d. next day.
Dau., Feb. 19, 1809, d. Feb. 27, 1809.
Caleb Clesson, May 27, 1810 (46).
Martha S., Jan. 9, 1813, d. unm. Sept. 16, 1832.
Alfred Russell, Oct. 28, 1815 (47).
Lois B., Nov. 17, 1817, m. Nov. 12, 1837, Samuel Merriman.
George, April 4, 1820; doctor; m. Feb. 5, 1852, Susan A. Brainard; sett. in Athol; d. in Boston, March 9, 1861.
Mary, March 18, 1823, d. April 23, 1840.
Phila, March 25, 1826, m. Feb. 21, 1848, Rev. Hiram Withington.
Prusia, March 15, 1829, d. Dec. 22, 1834.
Morris M., March 10, 1834, d. July 29, 1839.

34. Sylvester, s. of Rufus (18), b. 1770.
He m. Jemima, dau. Daniel Freeman.

Ch.: Thomas, Jan. 6, 1804.
Horatio, April 21, 1814.
Hollis, Dec. 8, 1816.
Lydia, Nov. 8, 1819.
Silvanus.

35. Henry, s. of Henry (19), b. 1789; killed March 5, 1833, by being drawn over the embankment, at Webster's mill, by a blind horse.
He m. Dec. 29, 1814, Mary, dau. Capt. William Simonds. She d. Dec. 24, 1848, a. 58.

Ch.: Henry W., Nov. 26, 1815, d. Nov. 22, 1838.
Mary A., April 9, 1817, m. Sept. 22, 1827, George H. Waters, of Waterbury, Vt.
Elijah C., March 28, 1819.
Albert A., Feb. 13, 1821, m. Eliza Morgan, of Leyden.
George A., March 20, 1823, m. Elizabeth Wheelock, of Orange.
Asa S., Aug. 22, 1825, m. Laura Jewell, of Whitingham, Vt.
Erasmus J., May 23, 1827, m. Sarah Sergeant.
Martha E., March 18, 1829, m. Eli Porter, of New Britton, Ct.
Julia E., Oct. 18, 1831, m. D. G. Wilkins, of Leyden.

36. **Charles** F., s. of Henry (19), b. 1794.

He m. Dec. 21, 1820, Electa, dau. Samuel Mattoon. She d. May 16, 1823, a. 27. (2), Dec. 20, 1827, Mary H. Alexander.

Ch.: Cyrus W., Nov. 19, 1821.
Rhoda S., April 28, 1829, m. Lucius Field.
Sophia B., June 1, 1830, m. Feb. 27, 1853, Simeon A. Spafford. (2), July 16, 1861, Charles H. Stearns.
Isabella A., July 20, 1831, m. Joseph C. Swan.
Mary H., Feb. 20, 1833.
Frederick F., March 9, 1834; sett. in St. Paul, Minn.
Sarah E., Oct. 18, 1835, m. Samuel R. Furrow.
Hope F., Oct. 20, 1837.
Clarisa J., March 29, 1839.
Roxana B., Aug. 8, 1840, m. Westley Mann.
Elijah A., Feb. 9, 1842.
Charles H., July 12, 1844, d. Jan. 5, 184–.
George J., Nov. 4, 1845, d. Oct. 11, 1848.
Otis E.
Eliza.
Electa.

37. **Zenophon**, s. of Henry (19), b. 1797; rem. to Nhn.

He m. Clarisa Harris.

Ch.: Marshal D., May 13, 1822.
Mary S., June 10,, 1824.
Edward E., Nov. 16, 1826.
Dwight D., Feb. 4, 1828.
Elvira A., March 10, 1830.
Wells S., Aug. 23, 1831.
Henry H., April 6, 1835.
Clarisa, April 20, 1837.

38. **William**, s. of William (20), b. 1785; suicide, Dec. 24, 1849.

He m. May 8, 1808, Mary, dau. John Woodward.

Ch.: Sarah, April 2, 1809.
William, Sept. 9, 1811.
Abigail, Jan. 9, 1814, m. Oct. 22, 18—, Josiah Jennison, Jr.
Hampton, April 15, 1816.
Woodbury S., Nov. 30, 1819.
Franklin, Aug. 11, 1824; sett. in Troy, N. Y.
Samuel N., m. Electa Atkins; sett. in Chicopee.

39. **Silas**, s. of Silas (21), b. 1779.

He m. Sept., 1806, Ruth Bryant Faxon, b. Sept. 18, 1789.

Ch.: Benjamin F., Sept., 1807, m. Elizabeth S. Towne.
Silas, d. at sea at the age of 24.
Augusta.
Nathaniel B.
Franklin.
Maria A.
Joseph W.
Ruth, d. young.

40. **Erastus**, s. of Walter (23), b. 1791, d. Feb. 23, 1853.

He m. Jan. 29, 1821, Hannah, dau. Benjamin Callender. She d. April 14, 1872, a. 72.

Ch.: Thomas J., March 3, 1822; rep.; pres. Franklin Co. Agricultural Society; m. Feb. 28, 1850, Hannah, dau. Col. Elijah Mattoon.
Sarah C., Feb. 24, 1824.
Elizabeth, June 17, 1826, m. June 25, 1850, Joseph B. Callender.
Eloisa A., Dec. 13, 1828.
Erastus, Sept. 12, 1831, d. Feb. 7, 1832.
Lucretia, Feb. 14, 1833, d. Jan. 11, 1856.

41. **Walter**, s. of Walter (23), b. 1805.

He m. Jan. 8, 1834, Mary, dau. Horace Holton. She d. June 4, 1847, a. 38. (2), Anna, dau. Elisha Lyman.

Ch.: Anna E., Aug. 2, 1838, m. Dr. Edward R. Wheeler, of Elmira, N. Y.
George W., July 14, 1840, m. Fanny Swift; lieutenant in the great rebellion.

42. **Charles**, s. of Zechariah (24), b. 1815; lawyer; sett. in Athol.

He m. July 28, 1855, Caroline C. Alden, b. Jan. 27, 1829.

Ch.: Charles, March 18, 1857.

43. Roswell, s. of Abner (26), b. 1789; kept tavern in Sunderland.

He m. Peace Cook.

Ch.: Sarah E., Dec. 13, 1814.
Albert R., Sept. 27, 1816.

44. Sharon, s. of Phineas (28), b. 1785, d. 1868.

He m. Aug. 2, 1814, Betsey Hastings, who d. Dec. 29, 1848.

Ch.: Samuel, May 27, 1815, m. Jan. 4, 1849, Sarah Woodbury.
Reuben M., Oct. 6, 1816, m. Nov. 7, 1837, Harriet M. Scott, of Gill.
Martha, July 3, 1818.
Mary E., June 10, 1820.
Ansel, Jan. 27, 1823, d. Aug. 15, 1825.
Electa T., March 12, 1828, m. Feb. 4, 1845, D. F. Caller, now of Greenfield.
Elizabeth A., Aug. 11, 1828, m. June, 1853, Jones Fisher, of Brattleboro. (2), Nov., 1864, Dea. Philander Pierce.

45. Moses F., s. of Phineas, (28), b. 1808; farmer; d. March 21, 1868.

He m. Nov. 13, 1839, Catherine S., dau. Josiah Alexander.

Ch.: Lucius, Aug. 15, 1841; res. in Clinton; furniture dealer.
Myra, May 15, 1843, d. Jan. 25, 1646.
Francis E., Feb. 23, 1845, m. Jan. 2, 1868, Maria R., dau. Nathan Smith, of Gill.
Catherine S., June 5, 1847, m. Clement Russell, North Hadley.
Christiana C., Feb. 12, 1833, m. Frank G. Stockbridge.
Josiah A., Oct. 21, 1860.

46. Caleb Clesson, s. of George (33), b. 1810; Dr.; A. C., 1833; sett. in Leominster; rep., 1873–74.

He m. May 27, 1839, Hannah C. Danforth, of Amherst, N. H., who d. May 14, 1857, a. 36. (2), Jan. 7, 1858, Anna S., wid. of William S. Carter. She d. Jan. 16, 1860, a. 34. (3), March 18, 1861, Martha Joslyn, of Leominster.

Ch.: Mary C., April 29, 1840, d. Dec. 26, 1845.
Clesson, June 16, 1845; printer; res. in Boston.
Jennie L., Feb. 5, 1849, d. July 20, 1850.
Alfred W., May 14, 1851; res. in Cambridge, ast. professor of chemistry.
Charles S., Feb. 28, 1854, d. March 19, 1857.
Catherine S., Dec. 23, 1855.

47. Alfred R., s. of George (33), b. 1815; well known as a civil engineer; sett. in Gfd., where he was often selectman and assessor; rep.; county commissioner 6 years; at the time of his death one of the state commissioners on inland fisheries. He was killed by an accident on the Burlington and Rutland rail road, June 9, 1870.

He m. 1843, Sarah N., dau. Joseph P. Allen. She d. May 6, 1851, a. 29. (2), Dec. 15, 1852, Mary H., sister of first wife, who d. May 3, 1859, a. 29. (3), Oct. 18, 1859, Rebecca J., dau. Ephraim Williams, of Dfd.

Ch.: Harriet N., d. at 13 months.
Sarah Elizabeth, March 8, 1846, d. Sept. 9, 1864.
Joseph Priestly, Feb. 8, 1851.
Alfred Russell, Dec. 6, 1860, d. Oct. 13, 1867.
Mary W., Jan. 22, 1863.
Alfred Theodore, Oct. 22, 1868, d. July 31, 1870.

1. FISHER, Abijah; Warwick; d. April 4, 1833, a 76. First wife unknown.

He m. (2), 1797, Lois, dau. Nathan Hastings. She d. 1834, a. 60.

Ch.: Order of birth uncertain.
Abijah, 1780, d. May 6, 1810.
Josiah, abt. 1781 (2).
Otis; of Nfd., 1806; studied law with John Barrett; was lieutenant in the battle of Plattsburg, Sept. 11, 1814, where he lost a hand; he was killed in a duel near Detroit, about 1816.
Benjamin, of Nfd., 1810.
Daniel, m. Sept. 13, 1815, Elvira Lyman; rem. to Hinsdale.
George, m. April 15, 1820, Ruth Woodward.

Lois, Sept., 1798, m. Prosper A. Booth.
Hannah, 1800, m. Rev. Levi Briggs, of Townsend, Vt.
Nancy, Oct. 11, 1802.
Betsey, Nov. 1804, m. Warren Oliver, who rem. to Penn.
Fanny, July, 1807, m. Henry Johnson.
Lucy, May, 1809, m. Reuben Phinney, of New Salem.
Tryphena, Nov., 1811, m. John Ball, who rem. to Indiana.
Mary Ann, 1813, d. Dec. 24, 1836.

2. Josiah, s. of Abijah (1); a clothier; was of Mont., 1803; owned a mill in Nfd., on Miller's brook, 1801; he afterwards operated the clothier's works, carding and fulling mill, on the *Cowas*, which he sold in 1814, to Capt. White, and rem.' to Shoreham, Vt.

He m. Sept. 23, 1802, Mary, dau. Elijah Holton.

Ch.: John Bridgman, 1803.
Elvira, Sept. 19, 1806, m. Ezra Holton.
George, Nov. 7, 1808.
Rhoda.

FISHER, Israel, 1788; d. in Warwick, June 21, 1842, a. 83.

FISHER, Sylvester, 1789–91.

FISK, Stephen, 1775.

FISK, Nathan, and wife; "young married people;" bapt. July 4, 1773.

FITCH, James, 1773–5.

FLAGG, Asa, 1760–1; rem. to Hinsdale. He m. Judith ——.

Ch.: Asa, bapt. July 8, 1759.
Molly.
Prob. Sarah, who m. July 6, 1781, John Willis, of Northfield.

FLEMMING, Thomas, 1819.

He m. Dec. 31, 1824, Abigail, dau. Frederick Morgan.

Ch.: Willard, Dec. 18, 1825; Chicago; m. Kate Butler.
Sophia, Nov. 30, 1826, m. Stephen Brown, Leland, Ill.
Alfred, March 15, 1830, m. Amerette Fox, Chicago.
Mary E. M., March 27, 1833, m. March 19, 1858, Frank Nims, of Deerfield.

FLETCHER, Daniel, 1773.

FLINT, Nathan, and wife, from Tolland, 1780; rem. 1784 to *Nesholm* (?) [*Ch. rec.*]

FOSTER, Israel, 1749–50.

FOSTER, Josiah, 1749; rem. to Winch., where, with wife, and two ch., he was cap. by Indians, June, 1756. [*See ante*, p. 295.]

He m. Jan. 14, 1750, wid. Submit Wells.

Ch.: Susanna, bapt. July 4, 1751.
Sibyl, bapt. Oct. 27, 1751.

FOSTER, James; shoemaker, from Winch.; in Rev. army, from Feb., 1781, to Dec., 1783, in 2d N. H. reg.; at Enosburg, Vt., 1820; rem. to Winch., where he d. Dec. 16, 1829.

He m. Dec. 15, 1785, Hannah Stutson, who was living in Nfd., in 1843, at the age of 79.

FOSTER, Nathaniel, 1766.

FOWLER, Clark; Shelburne, 1806; Halifax, Vt., 1808; Nfd., 1809.
He m. Jane ——.

Ch.: Electa, Nov. 2, 1806.
Julian (dau.), May 3, 1808.
Rebecca, March 18, 1811.
Charles, Nov. 26, 1813.
William, Nov. 29, 1816.

FRANCIS, Richard; Dorchester, 1669; one of the 16 young men to be looked after by the constables, as not being able to prove an "orderly living:" clerk of Capt. Turner's co., in Philip's war; of Nhn. 1675, where he took the oath of allegiance, Feb. 8, 1679; one of the engagers for Nfd, 1683, where he received grants of home lot, and 36 acres meadow land, 1683–6; d. before Feb. 8, 1715.

FRANKLIN, Ebenezer, 1811; he m. Hannah, dau. John Woodward; rem. to Surrey, N. H.

FREELOVE, Wilber, 1788–1801.

1. FREEMAN, Daniel; from Attleboro, about 1790. He m. Jemima —.

Ch.: Lavina, m. April 5, 1796, Daniel Miller.
Cynthia.
Lydia.
Jemima.
Dan (2).
John (3).
Oliver.
Alexander.
Sally.

2. Dan, s. of Daniel (1). He m. Sally ——.

Ch.: Luthera, Nov. 21, 1817.
Lindal Whipple, Jan. 24, 1820.
Stillman Tenny, Aug. 14, 1821.
Cynthia Spencer, June 23, 1824.
Philurian, April 23, 1826.
Elias Harris, June 4, 1828.
Lyther Intoon, Dec. 7, 1830.

3. John, s. of Daniel (1); carpenter.
He m. Dec. 18, 1803, Eleanor Green, who d. March 21, 1809.

Ch.: Francis, Oct. 18, 1804.
Lydia, Aug. 5, 1807.

FRENCH, John, b. 1756; Northfield, 1809; d. April, 1833.
He m. Susan White, of Mansfield, a descendant of Peregrine; d. Nov., 1836, a. 82.

Ch.: John.
Otis; sergeant; he m. Jan. 5, 1813, Hannah, dau. Lemuel Presson.

FRENCH, Jonathan, 1817–28.

FRENCH, Stephen; 1811–1817; from Dummerston, Vt.

FRIZZELL, John, 1773–1815.
He m. Martha ——, b. about 1740, who d. about 1820.

Ch.: Earl, bapt. Oct. 6, 1773.
Susa, bapt. Oct. 6, 1773.
Lois, bapt. Oct. 6, 1773.
Calma, bapt. Sept. 5, 1777.
Pattee, bapt. June 9, 1776.
Relief, d. unm.
John, bapt. June 20, 1784.

FRIZZELL, Jonathan, 1815.

FRIZZELL, Michael, b. in Leicester, 1740; sol. from Nfd., 1758–9; Bernardston 1764.

FRIZZELL, Otis, 1815.

FRIZZELL, Prudence; she m. about 1756, Moses Dickinson.

FRIZZELL, Reuben, 1764; sol. 1759; Leyden, 1786.
He m. Oct. 11, 1786, Esther, dau. Joshua Lyman.

FRIZZEL, Samuel, 1752–7.

FRIZZELL, Stephen, 1815.

FULLER, Elijah, 1806.

FULLER, Henry, 1817.

FULLER, Jabez, 1818.

FULLER, Joseph, 1774; rem. to New Fane, 1781. He m. Mary ——.
Ch.: John, June 30, 1775.
Mary, Nov. 3, 1777.
Lucy, Oct. 3, 1779.
Eli, May 2, 1781.

GALE, Josiah, 1798.

GANNET, John L., 1806.

GARDNER, Benjamin, b. in Kinderhook, N. Y., 1736; Nfd. sol., 1759.

GARDNER, Edward, 1761.

GAYLORD, Hezekiah, 1772–3; a tailor; agent for "Jona. Warner & Son."

1. **GILBERT, Cornelius,** 1799; from Montague; d. Feb. 19, 1805.
He m. Belsora Tubbs, who d. Dec. 6, 1829, a. 66.
Ch.: Lyman, 1796 (2).

2. **Lyman,** s. of Cornelius (1), b. 1796, d. Nov. 4, 1839.
He m. Feb. 1, 1824, Emily, dau. Levi Merriman.
Ch.: George, Feb. 18, 1824, d. June 4, 1863.
Foster, Feb. 19, 1825, d. April 5, 1842.
Cephas, Oct. 13, 1827; sett. in S. Carolina.
Lyman, Aug. 10, 1829, m. May 1, 1856, Sarah J. Marsh.
Isabella, Oct. 25, 1833, m. James W. Battles.
Emily, June 12, 1838, d. May 19, 1857.

GILBERT, Harvey, 1818. He m. Levity Turner.
Ch.: Roxana, June 11, 1820, d. Nov. 8, 1821.
Hannah A. H., June 18, 1822.
David, Feb. 19, 1825.
Sarah C., Feb. 9, 1827.
Roxana S., April 17, 1829.

GUILFORD, Paul, from Nhn. about 1760; rem. to Pittsfield, abt. 1765.
He m. Mary ——.
Ch.: Ellenor, bapt. Nov. 18, 1761.

GODDARD, William, 1797–9.

GORSE, Jonas, 1797.

GOULD, Hosea, d. Sept. 15, 1801, a. 34.
He m. Mary ——, who d. Dec. 5, 1799, a. 30.

GOULD, Jadadiah, 1770–3.

GOULD, Oliver, 1793.

GOODENOUGH, Joseph, 1801.

GOODENOUGH, Moses, 1773.

GRAVES, John, 1751; rem. to Westfield, about 1759.
He m. Mary ——.

Ch.: Zenas, Jan. 28, 1751–2.
Eldad.
Per. Lucy, who m. June 9, 1787, Freelove Wilber, of Freetown, R. I.
Prob. Sarah, who m. Nov. 27, 1789, Jotham Death, of Mont.

1. GRANDY, Edmund; sol. at Dfd., March 15, 1711–12; had a grant of a house lot at Nfd., 1717, and of other land, March 10, 1719, and soon after rem. there; sol. under Capt. Kellogg, 1724.
He m. June 7, 1720, Silence, dau. Joseph Brooks, of Deerfield.

Ch.: John, Dec. 11, 1720 (2).
Edmund, Oct. 29, 1722, d. May 6, 1723.
Edmund, April 21, 1724; Nfd., 1763.
Beriah, May 11, 1725; sol. in old French war; Nfd., 1755–63.
Silence, Jan. 28, 1727.
Parker, March 15, 1730.
A son, per. Robert, Jan. 19, 1732.

2. John, s. of Edmund (1), b. 1720; a noted hunter, 1757–65.
He m. Esther ——.

Ch.: Silence, Dec. 16, 1742.
John, April 22, 1744.
Lydia, Nov. 16, 1746, m. Jan. 29, 1769, Azariah Knights.
Parker, April 10, 1748.
Remembrance, April 3, 1750, m. 1781, Patience Smith; d. at Dfd., Feb. 24, 1818.
Reuben, June 3, 1752; served through the Rev. war; m. June 15, 1794, Sarah Newman; sett. in Goshen.
Asa, June 6, 1756.
Eri, July 21, 1758.
Esther, Nov. 14, 1759.

GRANDY, Robert; from Salisbury about 1765; rem. to Chesterfield, N. H., about 1772.

Ch.: Robert, bapt. March 17, 1765.

GRANT, Azariah, 1788–93; from Glastenbury, Ct.

GREEN, Benjamin G., 1793–98; rem. to Boston.

GREEN, Joshua, 1786.

GREGORY, Isaac, 1809; farmer; he m. Dec. 31, 1812, Fanny Field.

GRIGGS, Joseph, 1797–1805.

GROUT, Hilkiah, s. of John, of Lunenburg; b. July 23, 1728; ens.; shoemaker; Dfd., 1750; soon rem. to Nfd.; was living in Bridgman's fort, June 24, 1755, when the fort was taken by the Indians. His wife and three ch. were carried to Canada, where they were in captivity, Oct. 9, 1758, but were probably redeemed soon after. On the loss of his family, Hilkiah ret. to Dfd., and entered the military service, where he remained until the close of the war. He then took up his abode in Winch., where he staid about ten years, and finally rem. to Wethersfield, Vt., where he died. Grout was an active partizan for New York, in the Hampshire Grant troubles, from which state he received a commission of justice of the peace in 1777; asst. justice of the Court of Common Pleas, 1788; justice of the Court of Oyer and Terminer, and general jail delivery, 1782; was major of the upper regt. of Cumberland county, in 1775.

He m. 1750, Submit, dau. Nathaniel Hawks, of Deerfield.

Ch.: Hilkiah, Aug. 12, 1751.
Asa, Feb. 3, 1753.
Martha, Sept. 15, 1754.
Elihu, bapt. Feb. 17, 1760.
And others, b. at Wethersfield.

GROUT, Samuel, 1747–8.

GUNN, Daniel, 1765.

GUNN, Elijah, 1791–3.

GUNN, Samuel, 1781–6.

GURLEY, William; of Scotch descent; Nhn., 1679; brought up in the family of Rev. Solomon Stoddard; an engager for Nfd., 1683, where he received a grant of a home lot, but he did not settle there; drowned at Nhn., May 21, 1697.

He m. 1684, Esther Ingersoll. She m. (2), Benoni Jones, who, with two ch., was killed by Indians at Pascomuck, May 13, 1704; Esther was taken and carried to Canada, where she d. Nov. 27, 1705.

Ch.: Samuel, May 6, 1686, m. Experience, dau. Nathaniel Rust, of Nhn. He lived in Coventry, and Mansfield, Ct.

GUY, an African slave, owned by Dea. Timothy Dutton; one of the "characters" of Nfd.; famous for his wit.

HALL, Abijah, 1751-7.

HALL, Amasa, 1796.

HALL, Enoch; wounded by Indians, in their assault on Nfd., Oct. 11, 1723; of Winch., 1739; was of Hins., 1747-64; of Haverill, N. H., June 22, 1765.

He m. Martha, dau. Benjamin Wright, Jr. Order of birth of ch. unknown.

Ch.: Richard, Feb. 15, 1732.
Enoch.
Simeon.
Jacob.
Elijah.
Prob. Jeremiah, who sett. in Pembroke, and m. Dec. 11, 1748, Elizabeth Baily; was a member of the Provincial Congress, and surgeon in the Rev. army; and
Timothy, of Nfd., 1752.

HALL, Philip; doctor; 1834.

HAMILTON, Samuel, 1775.

HANCOCK, William, 1814.

1. HANNUM, William; rem. from Dorchester to Windsor, about 1639; thence about 1685, to Nhn.; a petr. for Nfd., 1771; d. June 1, 1677.

He m. Honor, who d. at Wfd., 1680.

Ch.: John, 1637 (2).
Abigail, bapt. Nov. 22, 1640, m. Nov. 23, 1659, John Sacket.
Joanna, bapt. July 24, 1642.
Elizabeth, April 24, 1645, m. Peter Bushrod.
Mary, April 5, 1650, m. Dec. 16, 1669, John Allen, who was killed with Capt. Lathrop, 1675.

2. John, s. of William (1), b. 1637; a Nfd. petitioner, 1671, but not a settler; he d. Feb. 19, 1713.

He m. Nov. 20, 1662, Sarah, dau. Richard Weller. She d. March 30, 1673. (2), April 20, 1675, Esther, dau. George Lankton, of Nhn.

Ch.: Abigail, Aug. 16, 1664.
Hannah, Oct. 12, 1667, d. March 7, 1689.
Sarah, Oct. 4, 1669, d. soon.
Sarah, Dec. 1, 1671.
Mindwell, } May 24, { d. young.
Experience, } 1673, { d. young.
John, Aug. 9, 1676 (3).
Eleazer, 1678, d. April 28, 1697.
Ruth, 1680, d. 1683.
A dau., 1683, d. young.
Esther, 1685, d. young.
Esther, June 15, 1687, d. young.
Joanna, Nov. 27, 1688.
William, 1690, m. June 20, 1717, Mary Hutchinson.
Samuel, 1692.

3. John, s. of John (2), b. 1676; of Nfd. 1716.

He m. Nov. 30, 1698, Elizabeth, dau. Mathew Clesson, of Nhn. She d. before 1713. (2), June 16, 1715, Elizabeth (Wright), wid of Thomas Stebbins.

HANSOM, David, 1811.

HARMON, Elijah, 1806.

HARRIS, King; captain; b. 1790; tanner, 1814; d. Oct. 17, 1829.

He m. July 23, 1817, Isabella, dau. John Holton. She d. Sept. 30, 1818, a. 24. (2), Jan. 21, 1823, Abby Lord. She m. (2), Chandler Field.

Ch.: Rufus, Sept. 30, 1818.
Isabella, April 24, 1824.
Mary A., June 14, 1826.
Charlotte E., June 19, 1828.

HARRIS, Thomas, 1876-8.

HARVEY, Ebenezer, 1758; from Sund.; wheelwright, 1767; rem. to Winch. later than 1772; d. in Chesterfield, N. H., 1810.

He m. Feb. 28, 1759, Sarah, dau. Jonathan Janes. She d. Nov. 12, 1764, a. 25. (2), Feb. 25, 1768, Lucy, dau. Azariah Wright.

Ch.: Electra, Sept. 5, 1760.
Orea, Nov. 8, 1761, drowned, July 24, 1765.
Rufus, Feb. 22, 1763.
Sarah, Nov. 9, 1764, m. Oct. 23, 1791, Calvin Doolittle.
Lucy, bapt. Jan., 1769.
Orea, bapt. Feb. 25, 1770.
Ebenezer, bapt. Dec. 22, 1771.

HARVEY, Nathaniel, 1763-4.

HARVEY, Zecheriah, 1791.

HASCAL, John, 1789-93.

HASTINGS, Caleb, 1815.

1. **HASTINGS, Thomas**; deacon; b. 1605; sailed from Ipswich, Eng., for N. E., 1634; sett. in Watertown; was town clerk; representative; and selectman 30 years; d. 1685.

He m. Susanna ——, b. 1600; who d. Feb. 2, 1650. (2), April, 1651, Margaret, dau. William Cheney, of Roxbury.

Ch.: Thomas, July 1, 1652; doctor; m. Oct. 10, 1672, Anna, dau. John Hawks, of Had. She d. Oct. 25, 1705. He m. (2), Feb. 14, 1706, Mary, dau. David Burt, of Nhn.
John, March 4, 1654, m. June 18, 1679, Abigail, dau. Lieut. John Hammond.
William, Aug. 8, 1655; drowned, Aug., 1669.
Joseph, Sept. 12, 1657, m. Nov. 1, 1682, Ruth, dau. Mathew Rice, of Sudbury.
Benjamin, Aug. 9, 1659, m. 1683, Elizabeth, dau. Isaac Graves; sett. in Hfd.
Nathaniel, Sept. 25, 1661, m. Mary, dau. John Nevinson, of Watertown.
Hepzibah, Jan. 31, 1663.
Samuel, March 12, 1665 (2).

2. **Samuel**, s. of Thomas (1), b. 1665; tavern keeper at Watertown; d. July 24, 1723.

He m. Jan. 1, 1687, Lydia, dau. Caleb Clark. She d. Jan., 1691, a. 30. (2), April 24, 1694, Elizabeth, dau. John Nevinson. She d. 1700, a. 25. (3), July 10, 1701, Sarah, dau. Simon Coolidge. She d. Jan., 1724.

Ch.: Lydia, Jan. 2, 1691, d. Feb., 1691.
Elizabeth, bapt. Nov. 29, 1697, m. —— Henrys.
Samuel, Oct. 30, 1698, m. Oct. 13, 1724, Mary Eaton; sett. in Boston.
Benjamin, bapt. Nov., 1700, d. young.
Daniel, July 19, 1702, m. Aug. 5, 1724, Sarah, dau. James Ball, of Watertown.
Benjamin, bapt. 1705 (3).
Nathaniel, m. April 16, 1734, Esther, dau. Samuel Perry; sett. in Boylston.

3. **Benjamin**, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1705; sett. in Boston; d. about 1757.

He m. April 14, 1726, Mary, dau. Simon Tayntor, of Waltham. She d. 1782, a. 79.

Ch.: Mary, Feb. 6, 1727, d. Sept. 22, 1728.
Daniel, Sept. 1, 1728, d. 1756.
Benjamin, July 1, 1731; taken cap. in the French and Indian war; d. in Montreal.
Hannah, March 23, 1733, m. Aug. 25, 1755, Amariah Leonard, of Watertown.
Simon, March 28, 1735, m. June 12, 1759, Sarah, dau. Simon Coolidge.
Jonas, Jan. 13, 1737, d. unm. in Boston, 1821.
Mary, March 9, 1739, d. Sept. 30, 1739.
William, Jan. 7, 1742, m. 1769, Mary, dau. George Lush; from Ireland.
Nathan, Aug. 17, 1744.
Smith, Dec. 30, 1748.
Samuel, Feb. 22, 1750 (4).

4. **Samuel**, s. of Benjamin (3), b. 1750; merchant in Boston; owned the lot on which grew the Liberty Tree, so famous in the annals of Boston. In 1777 he was sent express to Philadelphia, with dispatches for Washington. The pass on which he returned, signed "John Hancock, Presd't," is still preserved in the family.

He m. 1778, Nancy, dau. George Lush, b. in Ireland. She d. Aug. 17, 1807, a. 57. (2), Frances, dau. James Lamb, of Boston. She d. Oct., 1832.

Ch.: Samuel, Feb. 2, 1779, d. at Savannah, March 18, 1799.
Sally, May 11, 1781, d. July 19, 1795.
Benjamin, Jan. 8, 1783, m. 1812, Sally, dau. James Jarvis.
William, May 22, 1785 (5).
George, July 30, 1786, d. unm. Feb. 9, 1822.
Henry, Aug. 31, 1788, m. Sept. 4, 1817, Lois, dau. William Simonds; sett. in Warwick.
Mary Ann, Aug. 6, 1791; a generous benefactor to Antioch Col.; at her suggestion, the memorial stone was placed on the building where once stood the Liberty Tree.
Catherine, May 19, 1794, m. Feb. 27, 1835, Benjamin Yeaton; his second wife.

5. William, s. of Samuel (4), b. 1785; sett. in Warwick; d. June 27, 1843.

He m. Hannah Poland, of Boston. (2), March 20, 1820, Mary Dutton, of Windham, Vt., who d. Oct. 23, 1846, a. 57.

Ch.: William D., Dec. 28, 1820 (6).
George, July 22, 1822 (7).
Mary D., April 12, 1824, m. Nov. 4, 1845, Royal W. Smith, who d. in Ohio, Aug. 23, 1849. (2), Jan. 1, 1851, Henry W. Allen. She d. Nov. 6, 1851.
Esther W., March 28, 1826, m. May 5, 1847, Rev. John F. Moors, of Dfd. She d. June 18, 1850.
Clark, March 31, 1828, d. March 16, 1832.

6. William D., s. of William (5), b. 1820; merchant and post master, in Nfd.; rep., 1857; rem. to Janesville, Wis., where he became a preacher.

He m. March 3, 1844, Hannah D. Bowman, who d. Feb. 6, 1858, a. 34. (2), June 20, 1859, Elizabeth H. Allen.

Ch.: Mary A., Dec. 28, 1844.
William B., Feb. 6, 1848, d. Sept. 11, 1848.
Frank G., Aug. 6, 1849.
Edgar A., Sept. 15, 1852.
Samuel C. A., 1863.

7. George, s. of William (5), b. 1822; merchant; post master; rem. to Mineapolis, Minn.

He m. Nov. 9, 1847, Mary L. Cunningham, of Boston, who d. Sept. 10, 1859, a. 34. (2), May 23, 1861, Virginia, dau. Dr. Elijah Stratton.

Ch.: George C., July 29, 1848.
Willis, Dec. 15, 1852.
Frederick H., Jan. 20, 1858.
Walter S., July 22, 1864.

HAVEN, James, 1798.

HAVEN, Simeon, 1799-1801.

HAW, Moses, 1818-9.

HAWKS, Asahel, 1810. He m. July 26, 1810, Betsey Robbins.

Ch.: Mary Ann, Aug. 6, 1812.

HAWARD, Abraham, 1792-6.

HAWARD, Ezriah, 1793.

HEATH, John, 1773.

HENDERSON, William, 1789-91; from Ringe, N. H.

He m. 1791, Sarah, dau. John Allen.

Ch.: William, July 29, 1791.

HENRY, James H.; doctor, 1833; rem. to Brooklyn, N. Y.

He m. April 19, 1832, Sarah L., dau. Col. Asa Stebbins, of Dfd. She d. March 5, 1833. (2), about 1835, Martha, dau. Elihu Mattoon.

Ch.: Child, b. and d. Feb. 25, 1833.

HILL, Edmund, 1786-9.

He m. Mindwell ——, who d. June 29, 1789, a. 32.

Ch.: John, bapt. Sept. 7, 1787.

HILL, Isaac, 1761; wife, Lydia, 1780.

HILL, Jesse, 1775; rem. to Hins. about 1783. He m. Lydia ——.

Ch.: Henry, bapt. June 18, 1780.
Mirriam, bapt. June 18, 1780.

HILL, Lois. She m. May 10, 1791, Robert Whitcomb.

1. HILLIOUR, HILLIAR, HILLYER, HELYER, HELLER, HILLIARD, HILYARD, John; Windsor, 1639; d. July 16, 1655.

Ch.: John, June 3, 1637, d. young.
Mary, Dec. 25, 1639.
Timothy, June 3, 1642.
James, Aug. 24, 1644, m. June 15, 1677, Mary, wid. Ebenezer Dibble. (2), March 30, 1699, Mary (Case), wid. John Alderman.
John, 1645 (2).
Andrew, Nov. 4, 1646, m. Hannah, dau. Benj. Burr; sett. in Simsbury, Ct.
Simon, Dec. 25, 1648.
Nathaniel, Jan. 1, 1651, d. bef. 1673.
Sarah, Aug. 25, 1652.
Abigail, Aug. 21, 1654.

2. John, s. of John (1), b. 1645; rem. to Nhn.; was one of the engagers for Nfd., 1671, and grantee, 1682. If he settled under this engagement, he ret. to Nhn., where he res. in 1686; finally sett. in South Hadley, where he d. Dec. 29, 1729, a. 85.

He m. Sept. 30, 1664, Anne Baxter, who d. June 5, 1728, a. 84.

Ch.: John, Dec. 26, 1669, d. Feb. 19, 1670.
Mary, Dec. 28, 1671.
Elizabeth, Dec. 28, 1680.
Anne, May 8, 168–, d. July 17, 1687.
Timothy, Nov. 4, 1686, m. Mehitable —; held lands in Nfd., under the Third Sett., but finally sett. in So. Had.; d. Dec. 9, 1759.

HODGE, Joshua, 1806.

HOLBROOK, John. He m. Nov. 28, 1805, Lydia Field.

HOLBROOK, Paul, 1793-1801.

1. HOLDEN, James; carpenter. He m. Alice Metcalf.

Ch.: James, m. Sept. 24, 1811, Sarah Lewis.
Chapin, Dec. 4, 1793 (2).
Amidon, June 18, 1795.
Metcalf, April 19, 1797.
Alice, June 1, 1799.
John, May 14, 1801.
Philbrook, April 19, 1803, d. Sept. 26, 1803.
Philbrook, Oct. 15, 1805.

2. Chapin, s. of James (1), b. 1793; carpenter.

He m. Nov. 30, 1815, Harriet Dike, who d. Aug. 24, 1820. (2), Jan. 9, 1822, Lucy Jackson, of Warwick.

Ch.: Philbrook, Aug. 15, 1816, d. at Gfd.
Samuel; well known conductor on the Vt. and Mass. R. R.

1. HOLDEN, John, prob. br. of James (1), b. about 1776.

He m. Abigail Merrick. She d. at the age of 93, after being blind 18 years.

Ch.: Squire M. (2).
Shepherd, June 12, 1813, m. — Anderson.
Amos, March 7, 1819, d. Aug. 2, 1819.
Ruth M., m. March 22, 1825, Lewis Whitney.
Ermina; 2d wife to John Robbins; she m. (2), Oliver Greenleaf.

2. Squire, s. of John (1); rem. to Athol.
He m. Emeline Doolittle.

Ch.: Squire C., April 28, 1833, d. July 2, 1834.
Frances G., April 22, 1836.
Emma M., Jan. 29, 1838.
Amos Taylor, April 16, 1839.
Lewis Whitney, Jan. 30, 1841.

HOLLISTER, Elisha, 1797.

HOLMAN, Samuel, 1786.

HOLMES, John; Nhn., 1678; grantee of Nfd., 1682, and there in Second Settlement; rem. to Dfd., where he d. 1691 or 2.
He m. Sarah, prob. Broughton.

Ch.: John, Dec. 4, 1678, m. Feb. 10, 1701, Patience Webb.

1. HOLTON, HOULTON, William, b. in England, 1611; from Ipswich, in the ship "Francis," 1634; original proprietor of Hart.; rem. to Nhn., where he was ordained deacon, 1663; rep. to General Court five years from Nhn., and one from Had.; on committee for Nfd. at the Second Settlement; d. Aug. 12, 1691.
He m. Mary ——, who d. Nov. 16, 1691.

Ch.: John (2).
Samuel, bapt. Nov. 1, 1646, m. June 21, 1673, wid. Mary Rossitter, dau. Jona. Gilbert.
William (3).
Mary, m. Nov. 18, 1656, David Burt.
Sarah, m. Nov. 18, 1656, John King.
The first two marriages in Northampton.
Ruth, m. Feb. 5, 1663, Joseph Baker, who was killed by Indians, Oct. 29, 1675; she m. (2), in 1678, Thomas Lyman.
Rachael, m. Oct. 10, 1671, Thomas Strong.
Thomas, killed in the attack on Nhn., March 14, 1676.

2. John, s. of William (1,) Nhn.; d. April 16, 1712.
He m. Abigail ——, who was alive 1718.

Ch.: Mary, Jan. 10, 1668, d. July 5, 1668.
Eleazer (4).
Sarah, Oct. 6, 1673.
Abigail, m. John Lyman.
Joshua, May 6, 1678, d. Dec. 29, 1714.
William, 1679 (5).
Thomas, Oct. 23, 1681 (6).

3. William, s. of William (1), Nhn.; rem. Lebanon, Ct., and thence to Hart., where he d. 1711.
He m. Nov. 22, 1676, Sarah, dau. Samuel Marshfield. She d. 1711.

Ch.: Mary, July 26, 1678, m. Oct. 25, 1695, Ebenezer Strong.

4. Eleazer, s. of John (2); Nfd. at the Third Sett.; sol. at Fort Dum., 1730; town clerk ten years; rem. to Simsbury, Ct.; d. April, 1749.
He m. June 28, 1716, Sarah, dau. John Alexander. She d. Jan. 11, 1728.

Ch.: Sarah, April 15, 1717, m. Gaius Field.
Phineas, Feb. 10, 1719, prob. d. young.
Eleazor, July 16, 1720, prob. d. young.
Elenor, July 28, 1727, d. May 4, 1752, *non compos.*

5. William, s. of John (2), b. 1679; weaver; Nfd., 1718; d. Nov. 13, 1755.
He m. Dec. 5, 1706, Abigail Edwards.

Ch.: John, Aug. 24, 1707 (7).
William, March 6, 1709 (8).
Samuel, Nov. 30, 1710 (9).
Mary, May 19, 1714, m. John Munn, of Deerfield.
Abigail, Aug. 14, 1720, m. Dr. Ebenezer Field; and (2), Oct. 8, 1767, Dea. Saml. Smith. She d. June 9, 1801.

6. **Thomas**, s. of John (2), b. 1681; Nfd., 1718; killed by Indians, Aug. 23, 1723. [*See ante*, p. 195.]

He m. Mindwell, dau. Samuel Allen, of Nhn. She m. (2), after 1726, Daniel Chapin. She d. Oct. 21, 1758.

Ch.: Joshua, abt. 1703 (10).
Thomas, abt. 1705 (11).
Hannah, abt. 1707.
Prob. Mindwell, abt. 1712, m. Dec. 19, 1734, Josiah Chapin; d. Oct. 8, 1746.
Ithamer, d. Dec. 4, 1713.

7. **John**, s. of William (5), b. 1707; sergt. in the last French and Indian war; d. Oct. 25, 1793.

He m. Oct. 7, 1731, Mehitable Alexander; she was many years blind; d. Dec. 28, 1792, a. 79.

Ch.: Chloe, Jan. 1, 1733–4, m. May 4, 1757, Ebenezer Dickinson, Amherst.
Mehitable, Feb. 24, 1735–6, m. Dec. 13, 1753, Abner Howe, of Hinsdale.
Joel, July 10, 1738, m. Bethia Farwell; sol. 1759; sett. in Westminster, Vt.
Irena, Oct. 20, 1741, m. June 22, 1762, Medad Wright, of Westminster.
Anna, Oct. 23, 1744, m. May 7, 1764, John Norton.
John, Oct. 22, 1747 (12).
Sibyl, bapt. Dec. 30, 1750, d. Jan. 18, 1751.
Sibyl, Dec. 5, 1751, m. July 25, 1771, Amasa Sheldon, of Bernardston.
Solomon, April 8, 1755 (13).
Dorothy, April 10, 1763, d. April, 1787.
Charity, adopted dau., bapt. Dec. 11, 1757.

8. **William**, s. of William (5), b. 1709; captain; d. about 1798. He m. Bethia ——, who d. April 10, 1773, a. 60. (2), Jan. 15, 1778, wid. Mary Scott, of Bernardston.

Ch.: Dorothy, March 4, 1736–7, d. April 27, 1760.
Mercy, Oct. 30, 1738.
Violet, Dec. 4, 1740, d. Aug. 14, 1761.
Azubah, Aug. 17, 1742, d. unm.
Abigail, July 24, 1744, m. Nov. 24, 1768, Seth Cary, of Greenfield.
Bethia, June 14, 1748, m. May 4, 1768, Josiah Parmenter.
Lemuel, June 17, 1749 (14).
William, Dec. 17, 1750; sett. in Bratt.; d. about 1827.
Nathan, bapt. May 6, 1753 (15.)

9. **Samuel**, s. of William (5), b. 1710, d. April 11, 1767.

He m. Joanna Morton. She m. (2), June 11, 1772, Dea. Aaron Lyman, of Belchertown. She d. Dec. 8, 1796, a. 82.

Ch.: Samuel, Nov. 24, 1743 (16).
Joanna, Aug. 22, 1745.
Elijah, May 15, 1749 (17).
Mary, bapt. Sept. 22, 1751, m. Aaron Robins. (2), Noah Morgan.
Ruth, Jan. 19, 1754, d. April 15, 1754.
Elisha, Nov. 12, 1756 (18).

10. **Joshua**, s. of Thomas (6), b. about 1703; was killed by Indians April 26, 1746, "while on his way home from Boston, with money to pay the soldiers, and those who had billeted them."

He m. Mary ——.

Ch.: Ebenezer, April 9, 1742 (19).
Jonathan, Sept. 15, 1743.
Joshua, Oct. 13, 1745.

11. **Thomas**, s. of Thomas (6), b. about 1705; carpenter; "dis. from church in Nfd., 1799, with wife, and dau. Sarah, to be joined with others in a church in Fulham," (now Dummerston, Vt.).

He m. Sarah ——.

Ch.: Thomas Allen, Nov. 27, 1744, d. Dec. 7, 1770.
Sarah, unm. 1799.
Obedience, bapt. April 29, 1764.

12. **John**, s. of John (7), b. 1747; lieutenant, Rev. army; d. March 22, 1825.

He m. 1778, Hannah, dau. Capt. Amasa Sheldon, of Ber. She m. (2), May 23, 1832, Ezekiel Webster.

Ch.: Horace, May 18, 1780 (20).
Ora, July 14, 1782 (21).
Rufus, Oct. 12, 1783, d. Aug. 22, 1815.
Henry, April 15, 1788, m. Feb. 3, 1814, Susa, dau. Ezekiel Webster.
Lucius, Nov. 24, 1789 (22).
Elias, Dec. 16, 1790 (23).
John, May 22, 1792, m. March 14, 1819, Elizabeth Priest.
Isabella, Oct. 16, 1794, m. 1817, Capt. King Harris.
Electa, July 2, 1798, d. March 23, 1821.
Betsey, Aug. 22, 1803, d. March 29, 1822.

13. **Solomon**, s. of John (7), b. 1753; lieutenant, Rev. army; sett. in Winch.; d. Oct. 9, 1824.

He m. May 16, 1781, Mary Lyman, who d. Feb. 10, 1840, a. 84.

Ch.: Bohan, March 28, 1782, m. Lucy Hawkins, who d. June 26, 1861, a. 85.
Irene, Feb. 9, 1784, m. March 9, 1808, Elihu Wright.
Molly, July 8, 1786.
Elihu, Jan. 1, 1789; sett. in Winch.
Harris, April 15, 1791, d. April 27, 1791.
Esther, March 6, 1792, m. 1806, Ralph Corey, of Plainfield.

14. **Lemuel**, s. of William (8), b. 1749, d. Oct. 1, 1786; "a very worthy and valuable man." [*Ch. Rec.*]

He m. Lydia Shattuck. She m. (2), Jan. 11, 1787, Oliver Smith, and (3), Peletiah Phillips.

Ch.: Luther, Dec. 4, 1777 (24).
Lucy, May 8, 1779, m. Nathaniel C. Hurlburt, of Manlius, N. Y.; d. 1873.
Abel, Feb. 4, 1781 (25).
Lemuel, Feb. 9, 1783, of Sherborne, N. Y., 1806–9; of Nfd., 1815; d. s. p. in Gill, 1817.
Ezra, March 26, 1785; of Brandon, Vt., 1806.
Calvin, April 29, 1787; of Barre, Vt., 1808; of Randolph, Vt., 1819.

15. **Nathan**, s. of William (8), b. 1753; Rev. sol.; set off to Gill, 1795; rem. Bratt., after 1800.

He m. Hannah Ware.

Ch.: Timothy, March 18, 1781, m. —— Bennett.
Dorastus, Aug. 17, 1783; sett. in Gill.
Nancy, March 29, 1786, d. unm. in Bratt.
Aseneth, June 21, 1788, d. unm. in Bratt.
Sally, March 6, 1791, m. —— Goodnough, of Bratt.
Sophia, bap. Jan. 7, 1794, m. Ozearl (?) Stoddard, of Bratt.
Calvin B., March 16, 1797.

16. **Samuel**, s. of Samuel (9), b. 1743, d. Jan. 7, 1801.

He m. May 19, 1770, Sarah Alexander. She m. (2), Nov. 21, 1805, Jonas Leonard. She d. July 28, 1831, a. 82.

Ch.: Samuel, Oct. 20, 1770 (26).
Theodore, } Dec. 20, } (27).
Theadosia, } 1772, }
Jesse, April 4, 1775; blacksmith; sett. in New Ipswich, N. H.; wife d. 1842.
Sarah, April 30, 1777.
Pattee, Dec. 9, 1779, m. Aug. 7, 1805, Adolphus Smith.
Simeon, } Dec. 14, } (28).
Joanna, } 1782, } m. James O. Janes; his 2d wife.
Caleb, March 1, 1785 (29).
Seth, Oct. 31, 1787.
Elihu, bapt. Jan. 15, 1789.
Sophia, May 11, 1794, m. Dec. 15, 1814, Asa Stratton.
Freedom A., May 5, 1796, m. Seth Stratton, New Ipswich, N. H.

17. **Elijah**, s of Samuel (9), b. 1749, d. Dec. 9, 1832.
He m. Rhoda Root, of Belchertown, who d. June 5, 1832, a. 83.

Ch.: Hezekiah, Jan. 13, 1777 (30).
Susanna, Feb. 17, 1779, d. unm. March 3, 1853.
Molly, March 19, 1781, m. Sept. 23, 1802, Josiah Fisher.
Rhoda, Nov. 27, 1782, m. Job M. Dickinson.
Erastus, Nov. 9, 1784.
Elijah, Jan. 18, 1787, m. Experience Anderson, who d. Aug. 19, 1839, a. 39. He m. (2), Sarah Dickinson.
Quartus, March 14, 1790, m. Jane Dickinson. She d. June 16, 1867, a. 77. He d. Dec. 1, 1865.
Ruth, Feb. 7, 1792, m. after 1840, Martin Scott. (2), George Field. (3), Job M. Dickinson.
Miriam, April 13, 1794, d. young.

18. **Elisha**, s. of Samuel (9), b. 1756; Rev. sol.; d. Sept. 17, 1827.
He m. Lois Benjamin, of Montague, who d. June 26, 1837, a. 80.

Ch.: Phila, March 11, 1786, m. Dec. 2, 1805, George Field.
Electa, March 2, 1788, m. May 9, 1810, Elihu Stratton.
Elisha, March 28, 1790 (31).
Elihu, March 28, 1792, m. Editha White, and rem. to Erving.
Eliphalet, August 2, 1796, m. Betsey Drury; sett. on Hack's Grant.
Lois, March 19, 1802, d. July 25, 1803.

19. **Ebenezer**, s. of Joshua (10), b. 1742; sol. in 1760; rem. to Chester, Vt., and later to Westminster, Vt., where he d. April 13, 1798.

He m. July 20, 1762, Mary Worthington, of Spfd., who d. May 16, 1814, a. 69.

Ch.: Nancy, May 13, 1763.
Ebenezer, 1767, d. Feb. 21, 1790.
"Four daus., d. at Westminster; one son, and three daus., d. at Chester." [*Inscription on grave stone at Westminster, Vt.*]

20. **Horace**, s. of John (12), b. 1780, d. April 22, 1858.
He m. Feb. 7, 1803, Polly, dau. Benoni Dickinson, b. Jan. 12, 1781; alive 1875. Hector

Ch.: George, May 10, 1803 (32).
Mary, Nov. 7, 1804, d. March 27, 1808.
Louisa, Oct. 9, 1806, m. April 15, 1832, Nelson W. Purple.
Mary, Aug. 9, 1808, m. July 8, 1833, Walter Field.
Lucretia, July 20, 1810.
Horace, July 31, 1812 (33).
Roswell, Aug. 31, 1814 (34).
Fidelia, Aug. 16, 1816.
William, July 18, 1818 (35).
Isabella, March 23, 1820, m. Dec. 30, 1847, Proctor P. Purple.
Rufus, April 10, 1822 (36).
Ezra, Jan. 28, 1825, d. Feb. 17, 1825.
Ezra L., Jan. 17, 1826 (37).
Elizabeth, March 28, 1830, d. April 4, 1830.

21. **Ora**, s. of John (12), b. 1782; rem. to Gfd.
He m. Nov. 29, 1804, Martha Hardwick.

Ch.: Nelson, March 6, 1803, m. Sibyl, dau. Eli Stebbins, of Winch.
Chester, June 30, 1805, m. March 2, 1828, Louisa Cadwell. (2), Martha Smith; he was wounded in Florida war.
Charles S., July 12, 1807, m. Mary Ann —; sett. in Batavia, N. Y.
Erastus, March 19, 1809, m. Julia Elwell; sett. in Bennington, Vt.
William H., July 19, 1812; sett. in Bennington, Vt.
Martha, March 29, 1815, m. Luke A. Darling.
Hannah, April 23, 1817, d. unm. June, 1843.
Ora, April 14, 1819, d. in California, unm.
Gratia, May 21, 1821, m. Homer Ramsdel.
John, Dec. 20, 1824, m. Mary Harrington; res. in Greenfield.

22. **Lucius**, s. of John (12), b. 1789, d. Sept. 2, 1872.
He m. Lucinda Parmenter, who d. Sept. 2, 1847, a. 53.

Ch.: Josiah C., April 4, 1818, m. Rhoda Fitz.
Elizabeth, May 25, 1823, m. Samuel Caldwell.
Hunt Blake, Oct. 25, 1824, d. Aug. 10, 1848.
Lucius N., June 7, 1827; sett. in Worcester.

23. **Elias**, s. of John (12), b. 1790, d. June 5, 1868.
He m. July 4, 1822, Fanny, dau. Samuel Mattoon.

Ch.: Electa M., July 25, 1823, m. Austin Priest; and (2), Levi Cross.
Sarah W., Oct. 7, 1825, m. Andrew Hale.
Frances E., April 16, 1827, m. Chauncy Kellogg.
Edwin C., Feb. 6, 1832, d. unm. Jan. 31, 1871 or 2.
Obed M., m. Adeline Cross.

24. **Luther**, s. of Lemuel (14), b. 1777, d. Sept. 24, 1835.
He m. April 2, 1801, Betsey Hodges, who d. Jan. 30, 1845, a. 63.

Ch.: George Lucius, Dec. 10, 1801, m. Content Snow.
Charles Lewis, Dec. 10, 1801, d. March 29, 1819.
Fanny, Aug. 6, 1803, m. Oct. 16, 1825, Simeon P. Moody.
Betsey, Feb. 5, 1805, m. Jan. 3, 1828, Edwin Moody.
Luther, Jan. 11, 1807, m. Jan. 1, —, Marcia Mixter; sett. in Gill.
Martha, } June 11, } m. May 20, 1838, Zebulon Allen.
Mary, } 1809, } m. Jan. 14, 1841, Lewis Ferrell, of Greenfield.
Calvin, Oct. 11, 1811, m. Susan, sister to Anson Burlingame.
Cyrus, July 20, 1813, m. 1843, Amanda, dau. John Brown.
Frederick, June 6, 1815, m. May, 1849, Clara Bowers.
Samuel S., March 17, 1817, m. Oct., 1843, Elizabeth J. Clapp. (2), 1846, Tryphena, her sister. (3), 1860, Georgiana, another sister.
Charles L., Jan. 10, 1820, m. 1844, Rebecca Barton.
Lemuel, Feb. 21, 1822, m. 1848, Maria Brown. (2), Amelia Smith.

25. **Abel**, s. of Lemuel (14), b. 1781; Gill, 1820.
He m. Philinda Ballard.

Ch.: Laurian, Sept. 6, 1820.
Nancy, Aug. 19, 1823, m. Joseph Janes.
Ezra, m. Elvira Fisher.
Abel, m. — Park.
Lorenzo, m. — Aldrich.

26. **Samuel**, s. of Samuel (16), b. 1770, d. Dec. 1, 1851.
He m. June 22, 1809, Polly, dau. Asa Stratton. She d. Sept. 12, 1860, a. 79.

Ch.: Charlotte, April 29, 1810, m. Jona. Lyman; 2d wife.
Samuel S., Dec. 8, 1811, m. Esther S., dau. John Field.
Asa A., June 19, 1818 (38).
Lucy A., March 30, 1821, m. Charles Ripley, d. about 1870.

27. **Theodore**, s. of Samuel (16), b. 1772; clothier; drowned, Aug. 17, 1847.
He m. Mary Smith, of Warwick, who d. Sept. 17, 1863, a. 81.

Ch.: Fanny S., Aug. 25, 1804, m. May 17, 1825, Francis Johnson.
Mary, Oct. 22, 1806, m. — Cook.
Theadosia, March 31, 1807, m. — Wesson.
Jesse, Dec. 8, 1809, d. Feb. 22, 1811.
Sarah A., Jan. 11, 1812, m. Zebina Marsh.
Asa S., Aug. 5, 1814, d. unm. Sept. 15, 1858.
Jesse, Sept. 26, 1816, m. Martha Walkup; rem. to Vineland, Va.
Theodore, Aug. 22, 1818, m. Mary A. Doolittle; res. in Winch.
Julia S., Feb. 17, 1821.
Charles B., May 9, 1823; rem. to Winch.
Martha, Sept. 26, 1826, m. John Morse, of Warwick.

28. Simeon, s. of Samuel (16), b. 1782; rem. to Middlebury, Vt.
He m. March 1, 1803, Olive Kendrick.

Ch.: Eliza, May 10, 1803, m. — Moody, of Hadley.
Olive, April 27, 1805, m. May 9, 1827, Edwin Wright.
Caleb, Jan. 27, 1807, d. unm.
Henry, Sept. 22, 1809, m. Harriet, dau. John Field.
Seth, June 12, 1812, m. Rhoda Field; sett. in Athol.
George M., March 8, 1815, m. Silence —, d. Jan. 29, 1840, a. 18. (2), Hannah Wright.
Joanna, Dec. 13, 1817.
Freedom M., Aug. 12, 1820, m. — Houghton, and (2), Henry Clark, of Bratt.
Simeon, July 12, 1822; rem. to Middlebury, Vt.
Joseph, Feb. 1, 1825, d. young.

29. Caleb, s. of Samuel (16), b. 1785; sol. in the war of 1812, from Maine; after the war ret. to Nfd.
He m. in Maine, Rebecca ——, who d. Oct. 15, 1852, a. 64.

Ch.: Freedom, Dec. 11, 1812, m. Joel Merriam, of Gfd.
Sarah, March 25, 1816, m. Charles Stimpson, Gfd.
Samuel, Dec. 27, 1817; a sailor; m. — Wells, of Mont.
Caleb, Dec. 17, 1819; sett. in Penn.
Sophia A., Dec. 3, 1821, d. June 18, 1842.
Rebecca, Oct. 22, 1825, m. Henry Sawtelle, of Gfd.
Alexander, April 13, 1827, m. Mary, dau. Moses Collar.
William H., March 30, 1828, m. Judith, dau. Moses Collar.

30. Hezekiah, s. of Elijah (17), b. 1777, d. Aug. 23, 1848.
He m. Patty Scott, of Wendell, who d. May 2, 1856, a. 58.

Ch.: Quartus, June 28, 1813; rem. to Fitchburg.
Henry H., Aug. 5, 1815, m. Diantha Austin.
Samuel S., Nov. 16, 1818; rep. 1855.
Experience R., July 19, 1822, m. James Moors.
Mary S., Nov. 12, 1832, m. — Foster.

31. Elisha, s. of Elisha (18), b. 1790.
He m. Amanda White, who m. (2), Chester Hubbard.

Ch.: Electa, Nov. 24, 1821, m. Quartus Benjamin, of Montague.

32. George, s. of Horace (20), b. 1803.
He m. Jan. 7, 1835, Anna., dau. Erastus Hubbard, of Ver. She d. May 29, 1839. (2), April 21, 1840, Sylvia, wid. Thomas A. Snow, dau. Dr. Gideon Ryther.

Ch.: Anna H., March 4, 1841, m. James E. Vickary.

33. Horace, s. of Horace (20), b. 1812.
He m. Sarah A. Field. (2), wid. Fanny Webb.

Ch.: Sarah E., Feb. 10, 1843.
Arthur H., June 2, 1846.
Crosby F., Sept. 9, 1850, d. Jan. 16, 1852.

34. Roswell, s. of Horace (20), b. 1814.
He m. Mary A., dau. Izatus Sheldon, of Bernardston.

Ch.: Mary A., May 3, 1848.
Clinton S., Oct. 27, 1850.
Frank B., Feb. 16, 1856.

35. William, s. of Horace (20), b. 1818.
He m. Feb. 6, 1848, Editha, dau. William Clark, of Montague.

Ch.: Frank T., March 1, 1851, d. Sept. 14, 1851.
Helen Augusta, Nov. 29, 1852.
Twin sons, b. and d. Jan. 27, 1859.

36. Rufus, s. of Horace (20), b. 1822.
He m. May 10, 1849, Harriet Snow.

Ch.: Lillia Angelia, } June 8, }
Lillian Francellia, } 1850, } d. Feb. 3, 1875.
Rufus E., Sept. 13, 1852, d. Feb. 17, 1859.
Harriet G. Oct. 15, 1854.
Effie M., Nov. 3, 1856, d. Feb. 15, 1859.
Carrie M., Sept. 4, 1860.
Grace B., Nov. 15, 1864, d. May 15, 1866.

37. Ezra L., s. of Horace (20), b. 1826.
He m. Jan. 7, 1852, Martha A., dau. Enoch Chapin.

Ch.: Martha A. Sept. 20, 1852, d. Feb. 18, 1856.
Eva R., Aug. 22, 1857, d. April 29, 1858.

38. Asa A., s. of Samuel (26), b. 1818; selectman many years; rep., 1872.
He m. Feb. 29, 1852, Abby, dau. Hubbard Phelps.

Ch.: Charlotte S., Nov. 30, 1853.
Cora B., Dec., 1856.
Frank B., Dec. 27, 1858.

HOLTON, Patty. She m. March 1, 1802, Henry Corse.

1. HOSMER, James, b. in Eng. about 1607; came from London in the ship "Elizabeth," 1635; freeman, 1637, of Concord; d. Feb. 7, 1685.
He m. in Eng., Ann ——, who was born about 1608. (2), Mary ——, who d. May 10, 1641. (3), Alice, or Ellen ——, who d. March 3, 1665.

Ch.: Mary, abt. 1633, d. young.
Ann, abt. 1635.
James, 1637 (2).
John, 1639.
Mary, Jan. 10, 1641, d. Aug. 18, 1642.
Stephen, Nov. 27, 1642, m. Abigail Wood, and d. 1704.
Hannah, 1644, m. Oct. 26, 1665, Joseph Hayward.
Mary, 1646, m. Thomas Smith, Concord.

2. James, s. of James (1), b. 1637; Concord; killed by Indians at the Sudbury fight, April, 1676.
He m. Oct. 13, 1658, Sarah, dau. John White, of Lancaster, sister of Mrs. Rowlandson. She m. (2), Samuel Rice.

Ch.: James, Oct. 23, 1660; sett. in Worcester.
Mary, April 26, 1664, m. Samuel Wright.
Dorothy.
Hannah, d. young.
Hannah, m. Col. Howe, of Marlboro.
Thomas, abt. 1670 (3).

3. Thomas, s. of James (2), b. about 1670.
He m. 1696, Hannah Hartwell.

Ch.: Hannah.
Sarah.
Thomas, about 1710 (4).
Mary.

4. Thomas, s. of Thomas (3), b. about 1710.
He m. 1731, Prudence, dau. Stephen Hosmer, of Concord.

Ch.: Lucy, d. young.
Joseph, 1738 (5).
Persis.
Dinah.
Lydia.
Benjamin.

5. Joseph, s. of Thomas (4), b. 1738; one of the heroes of Concord Bridge, where he was captain, and acted as aid to Col. Barrett; he formed

the ranks that marched to the attack; sheriff of Middlesex co.; a member of both branches of the legislature.

He m. Lucy Barnes, of Marlboro.

Ch.: Lucy, d. young.
Lavinia, m. Abel Davis, of Concord.
Cyrus, 1769 (6).
Lucinda, m. Timothy Brooks, of Lincoln.
Rufus, 1779; lawyer; sett. in Stowe; a member of Gov. Everett's council, at the time of his death, 1832.

6. Cyrus, s. of Joseph (5), b. 1769, d. 1818. He m. Patty Barret.

Ch.: Martha, 1793, d. 1812.
Cyrus, 1795 (7).
Rebecca P., 1798, m. Henry F. Cogswell.
Washington, 1800, d. young.
George Washington, 1803 (8).
Melicent, 1805, m. Jacob B. Farnum, of Concord.
Eliza, 1808, m. Joshua Buttrick.

7. Cyrus, s. of Cyrus (6), b. 1795; deacon; principal of academy in Nfd., where he d. Dec. 17, 1833.

He m. 1823, Lydia Wheeler, of Concord.

Ch.: Sarah, 1824.
Martha, 1826, m. A. J. Harlow.
Henry, 1827, d. July 15, 1831.
Joseph H., Nov., 1831.
Cyrus, Nov. m. Anna Prescott, of Groton.
Lydia, 1833, m. Daniel Wood, Concord.

8. George W., s. of Cyrus (6), b. 1803; a distinguished Unitarian divine; grad. H. C., 1826; ordained minister at Nfd., June 10, 1830; dis., 1836, and installed the same year over a new society in Buffalo, N. Y.; he left there to accept the presidency of Antioch College, Sept., 1866; resigning this office in 1873, he was sett. in Newton, Nov., 1873.

He m. April 21, 1831, Hannah P., dau. Rev. Dr. Kendall, of Plymouth.

Ch.: Edward J., May 26, 1832, d. July 21, 1834.
James K., Jan. 29, 1834; H. C., 1855; ordained minister at Dfd., 1860; resigned his pastorate to take a professorship in Antioch College, 1866; afterwards prof. in the University in Columbia, Mo. He served as corp. in the Port Hudson expedition under Gen. Banks, 1862–3; author of the "Color Guard," 1864; and "Thinking Bayonet," 1865; he m. Oct. 15, 1863, Eliza A. Cutler, at Dfd.
William R., Aug. 31, 1835, m. July, 1873, Josephine Grant.
George H., May 14, 1839; grad. Meadville, 186–; sett. in the ministry at Bridgewater; m. Dec. 10, 1868, Julia W., dau. William Sheldon, of Dfd.
Anna, Oct. 21, m. Oct. 21, 1862, Rev. Wm. H. Savery.
Ella, 1841, d. young.
Edward J., July 12, 1844; orderly sergt. in the Port Hudson exp., under Gen. Banks; d. at Baton Rogue, La., Jan. 24, 1863, "a young man of natural force and high aims."

HOUGHTON, Edward; from Hins., 1793; inn holder; d. Sept. 29, 1820.

He m. Sally, dau. Joseph Smith, of Petersham.

Ch.: Edward, March 12, 1783.
Clark, Aug. 27, 1784, m. Fanny Smith, 1814; rem. to Dfd.; merchant; became blind.
Lucretia, March 16, 1786, m. Oct. 3, 1804, Samuel Prentice, Montpelier, Vt., a U. S. senator.
George F., July 16, 1788, d. April 19, 1804.
Sally, July 1, 1790, d. Oct. 26, 1807.
Harriet, April 16, 1792, m. Dec. 22, 1817, Abiel Bellows, Walpole, N. H.
Esther S., Dec. 20, 1794, m. Charles Bowen, Tarrytown, N. Y.

HOWE, Abel; from Marlboro, 1818; the first to grow hops in Nfd., and prob. in Franklin co.; ret. to Marlboro about 1823; lived on the Barber place.

HOWE, Levi, s. of Archelaus, of Marlboro, b. 1796; wheelwright; rem. to Ber.; d. Aug 24, 1861.

He m. Hannah French, and (2), Clarissa Kilburn. She d. Jan. 8, 1853, a. 58.

Ch.: Frank, sett. in Natick.
Hannah, m. — Morse.
Mary, m. Geo. H. Phelps.
Caroline, m. Geo. Spafford, of Ludlow.
Louisa, 1832, m. D. H. Jacques.
Abraham; went west.
George, sett. in Fitchburg.

HOWE, Luther, br. of Levi, b. 1791; d. April 1, 1826.

He m. Feb. 7, 1816, Lucy Bingham, of Marlboro.

Ch.: Ezra, sett. in Natick.
Sophia, m. Samuel Harwood.
Sophronia, m. — Steadman.
Archelaus, sett. in Worcester.
Harriet, m. Samuel Barker.

HOWE, Thomas, br. of Levi, b. 1793; rem. from Nfd. to Dfd., 1836, where he d. Aug. 2, 1846.

He m. Feb. 5, 1819, Martha Bigelow, of Marlboro.

Ch.: Martha, d. unm.
Mary, Jan. 8, 1825, m. —— Hammond. (2), John Hows.
Augusta, Nov. 30, 1827, m. Lambert Bigelow, of Worcester.
Thomas H., Sept. 8, 1830; res. in Boston.
Lucy Ann, m. Horace Bigelow, of Marlboro.
George, d. young.

1. HOW, HOWE, John, of Sudbury, 1638; rem. to Marlboro, 1657, where he was a leading citizen; d. May 28, 1680, a. 78.

He m. Mary ——, who d. 1698.

Ch.: John, Aug. 24, 1640, m. Elizabeth; was killed by Indians, at Sudbury, April, 1676.
Samuel, Oct. 20, 1642 (2).
Sarah, Sept. 25, 1644, m. Samuel Ward.
Mary, June 18, 1646, d. young.
Isaac, Aug. 8, 1648, m. Frances Woods. (2), Susanna Sibley.
Josiah, 1650, m. Mary Haynes.
Mary, Jan. 18, 1654, m. John Wetherbee.
Thomas, July 22, 1656, m. Sarah Hosmer. (2), wid. Mary Barron.
Daniel, Jan. 3, 1659, d. Jan. 8, 1662.
Alexander, Dec. 21, 1661, d. Jan. 7, 1662.
Eleazer, Jan. 18, 1662, m. Hannah Howe.

2. Samuel, s. of John (1), b. 1642; Sudbury; d. April 13, 1713.

He m. June 5, 1663, Martha, dau. John Bent. She d. Aug. 29, 1680. (2), Sept. 18, 1685, wid. Sarah (Leavitt) Clapp.

Ch.: John, July 24, 1664, m. Nov. 3, 1686, Elizabeth Wooison. (2), July 1, 1712, Hannah Haven; sett. in Framingham.
Mary, March 2, 1666, m. George Farrar. (2), Thomas Barnes.
Samuel, May 19, 1668, m. Elizabeth Goodale.
Martha, Oct. 9, 1669, m. Thomas Walker, of Framingham.
Daniel, Oct. 9, 1672, d. Feb. 7, 1681.
David, Nov. 2, 1674, m. Hepzibah Death; he kept the famous "Howe Tavern," in Sudbury.
Hannah, April 6, 1677, m. John Barnes.
Elisha, by 2d wife; m. Hannah —, lived in Framingham.
Daniel, Feb. 6, 1690 (3).
Nehemiah, 1693 (4).
Moses, Aug. 25, 1695, m. Eunice —. (2), wid. Hannah Heald, of Concord; rem. in 1719, to Rutland, where he d. in 1750.
Ebenezer.
Micrejah, Aug. 27, 1700.

3. Daniel, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1690; lived in Sudbury; and of Rutland, 1723; a grantee of Westmoreland, N. H., Feb. 12, 1752, where he sett.; but during the French and Indian wars, lived in the fort at Great Meadows, on the opposite side of the Connecticut river ; he d. at the fort, but was buried in Westmoreland.

He m. Dec. 17, 1716, Elizabeth Johnson.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Sept. 25, 1717, m. Jan. 6. 1736, Samuel Gleason.
William, Feb. 11, 1720 ; of Had., 1743 ; of Westmoreland, 1752–60.
Joseph, May 5, 1723 ; of Hfd., 1756 ; was sol. at Fort Mass. ; in the Canada campaign under Col. Frye, and cap. at Ft. William Henry, Aug. 9, 1757.
Samuel, a grantee of Westmoreland, 1752 ; living there, 1779.
Daniel, cap. by Indians, near Bridgman's Fort, June 24, 1746, and carried to Canada ; was at the hospital in Boston, on his return, Aug. 18, and back in service Aug. 30, where he continued until July 14, 1748, when he was again cap., above Hinsdell's fort, and taken to Canada a second time ; he ret. Sept. 30 ; he was then of Cambridge. There is a charge in Col. Ebenezer Hinsdale's account book against Daniel Howe, Jr., Sept., 1754 : "to my marrying you, £1, 0s., 0d. ;" and another charge, "for 3 dollars paid your mother, Robbins." He was a grantee of Westmoreland, 1752, and captain there 1760.

4. **NEHEMIAH**, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1693; of Sudbury, 1716; Grafton, 1739; living in the fort at Great Meadows, Oct. 11, 1745, near which he was taken by Indians, and carried to Canada, where he d. May 25, 1747, leaving a journal of his captivity, which was published in 1748.

He m. Margaret, dau. Benjamin Willard, who m. (2), Ens. James Miller, of Hopkinton. She d. Jan. 25, 1758.

Ch.: Joshua, Oct. 11, 1716.
Caleb, 1724 (5).
Sarah, 1725, m. about 1744, Simeon Alexander.
Abner, 1729 (6).
Nehemiah (7).
Prob. Mary, 1735, who m. Feb. 4, 1754, Josiah Stebbins.

5. **CALEB**, s. of Nehemiah (4), b. 1724; lived near Bridgman's Fort ; was in Capt. Phineas Stevens's co., 1746–49; he was a sergt. at No. 4, and wrote Capt. Stevens an account of the attack on that place, June 20, 1749, when Ens. Sawtelle was killed, and a son of the captain taken ; he was mortally wounded by Indians, June 27, 1775, when Fort Bridgman was taken, and its occupants cap. and carried to Canada; he died the next morning at Hinsdell's fort, and was buried a short distance to the north-east of it, where his grave stones are still to be seen. [*See ante*, p. 290.]

He m. 1746, Jemima, dau. Josiah Sawtelle, wid. of William Phipps, (who was killed by Indians at Great Meadow, July 5, 1745); she was cap. when the fort was taken, and with her seven children carried to Canada; with three of her children she was redeemed, and brought home before 1760, by Col. Schuyler. She afterwards went again to Canada, and obtained her second daughter, Submit Phipps. Mary Phipps, the oldest dau., was carried to France, where she m. Crom Lewis, a Frenchman. Mrs. Howe m. (3), Amos Tute. She d. March 7, 1805, a. 82.

Ch.: William, 1747.
Moses, 1749 (8).
Squire, 1751 (9).
Caleb, 1753 ; of Westminster, Vt., 1760 ; was a tory, and went to Nova Scotia, after the Rev. war.
Son, Jan., 1755, d. in Canada March, 1756.
Submit PHIPPS, b. 1746, m. Nov. 22, 1775, Nathan Willard ; she d. April, 1781.

6. **ABNER**, s. of Nehemiah (4), b. 1729 ; blacksmith ; sol. under Capt. Stevens, 1747–8–9; grantee of Westmoreland, 1752; was chosen constable of Hins., Sept. 25, 1753, at the first town meeting under the charter ; rem. to Amherst about 1755.

He m. Dec. 23, 1753, Mehitable, dau. John Holton, of Nfd.

Ch.: Hannah, Nov. 19, 1754.

7. Nehemiah, s. of Nehemiah (4); sol. in Capt. Alexander's co. at Lake George, 1758, from Hat.; of Amh., 1759; two or three years later he rem. to Westmoreland; d. about 1777.

He m. Ruth. She m. (2), March 15, 1780, Joseph Burt.

Ch.: Selah, July 29, 1762, m. Aug. 15, 1785, Elizabeth Spear.
Orpha, May 6, 1764, m. July 8, 1784, Isaac Butterfield.
Nehemiah, March 4, 1766.
Joshua, March 9, 1770.
And perhaps others.

8. Moses, s. of Caleb (5), b. 1749; captain; kept tavern many years on the paternal estate near Sawtelle's Fort. His son Ebenezer succeeded him, and d. on the old place, Sept. 15, 1855, a. 83.

9. Squire, s. of Caleb (5), b. 1751; he was but four years old when taken captive, but in 1790, scars on his head bore testimony to the brutality of the savages; in 1806 he rem. to Fabius, N. Y., where he d. Nov. 20, 1807.

He m., 1781, Martha, dau. Moses Field. She d. at Prattsburg, N. Y., 1839, a. 82.

Ch.: Rhodolphus, 1782, m. Clarissa Hill, and lived at Prattsburg.
Squire, 1785, m. Mary Townsley; sett. in Dryden, N. Y.
Martha, May 20, 1787, m. Jan. 19, 1809, Horace Fowler, of Cohocton, N. Y.
William, 1790, m. Polly Griffith; lived at Geneva, N. Y.
Anna, about 1792, m. Levi Fowler, of Cohocton, N. Y.
Susan, April 19, 1794, m. Oct. 24, 1835, Horace Fowler.
Clarissa, April 17, 1797, m. Feb. 9, 1817, Robert Weld, of Sugar Grove, Penn.
Caroline, July 17, 1798, m. Harvey Downs, of Prattsburg.

1. HUBBARD, George; Weth., 1636; rep., 1638, and often afterwards; Milford, Ct., 1643; Guilford, Ct., 1650; d. Jan., 1683.

He m. Mary ——, who d. Sept. 14, 1676. Order of children's birth uncertain.

Ch.: John (2).
Daniel, bapt. May 26, 1744.
William.
Mary, m. John Fowler.
Sarah, m. a Harrison, or Morrison.
Abigail, bapt. May 26, 1644, m. Humphry Spinning.
Hannah, bapt. May 26, 1644, m. Jacob Melyne.
Eliza, m. John Norton, of Guilford.
Electa, d. young.

2. John, s. of George (1); Hadley, 1660; d. at Hfd., about 1705.

He m. Mary, perhaps Merriam, of Concord.

Ch.: Mary, Jan. 27, 1651, d. young.
John, April 12, 1655.
Hannah, Dec. 5, 1656, d. 1662.
Jonathan, Jan. 3, 1659, m. 1728, — Merriam, of Concord.
Daniel, March 9, 1661.
Mercy, Feb. 23, 1664, m. Oct. 12, 1685, Jona. Boreman, of Wethersfield.
Isaac, Jan. 16, 1667 (3).
Mary, April 10, 1669, m. 1688, Daniel Warner.
Sarah, Nov. 12, 1672, m. 1698, Samuel Cowles, of Hatfield.

3. Isaac, s. of John (2), b. 1667; deacon; sett. in Sund.; d. Aug. 9, 1750.

He m. Ann, dau. Daniel Warner. She d. June 26, 1750.

Ch.: John, April 20, 1693 (4).
Isaac, Jan. 14, 1695.
Mary, Feb. 25, 1697.
Daniel, April 30, 1699.
Hannah, Sept. 7, 1701, m. 1727, Nathaniel Mattoon.
Jona., Dec. 29, 1703; Y. C., 1724; first minister of ch. in Sheffield; ord. Oct. 22, 1735; d. 1765.
Joseph, April 8, 1708.
David, March 9, 1712.

4. **John**, s. of Isaac (3), b. 1693; deacon; Hfd.; d. Aug. 25, 1778.
He m. Hannah Cowles, of East Hartford, who d. Feb. 19, 1777, a. 84.

Ch.: Mary, July 28, 1719, m. Joseph Warner, of Cummington.
Elisha, Sept. 4, 1721; a sol. in French and Indian wars.
Hannah, March 28, 1724, d. March 20, 1727.
John, Nov. 6, 1726 (5).

5. **John**, s. of John (4), b. 1726; Y. C., 1747; sett. over church in Nfd., May 30, 1750, where he d. Nov. 28, 1794. [*See ante*, pp. 277, 343.]

He m. Dec. 26, 1753, Anna, dau. Capt. Samuel Hunt. She d. March 11, 1795.

Ch.: John, Oct. 8, 1754; sett. in Charlestown; judge of probate for Cheshire co., 1789–97; m. a dau. of Capt. Phineas Stevens, who was b. in the fort, 1750; he d. 1806.
Roswell, Nov. 15, 1756; "yeoman," of Sullivan, N. H., 1825.
Erastus, June 4, 1761; "yeoman," of Sullivan, 1825; rem. to Ver.
Samuel, Sept. 14, 1763, m. March 5, 1791, Elizabeth Swan, dau. of Timothy; sett. in Franklin, Vt.; lived also in Huntsburg.
Elsworth, Nov. 18, 1766, d. June 3, 1772.
Anna, June 4, 1769, dead in 1825.
Electa, Aug. 27, 1771, d. June 16, 1773.
Electa, bapt. Aug. 29, 1773.
Elsworth, July 23, 1776, d. July 17, 1780.
Arad H., bapt. Aug. 22, 1779, d. Sept. 6, 1780; "a lovely babe, but in a few hours cut down by the rattles." [*Ch. rec.*]

1. HUNT, **Jonathan**, from Nhn., Eng., b. 1637; prob. son of John, and Mary, dau. Gov. Thomas Webster; rem. from Ct. to Nhn. about 1660; deacon, 1680; rep., 1690; d. Sept. 29, 1691.

He m. Sept. 2, 1663, Clemence, dau. Thomas Hosmer, of Hart. She m. (2), John Smith, of Milford, Ct., and d. July 8, 1689.

Ch.: Thomas, Jan. 23, 1663; at Dfd., 1684–94; of Hart., 1698; one of the nine who organized a ch. at Lebanon, Ct., Nov. 7, 1700.
Jonathan, 1664, d. same year.
Jonathan, Jan. 20, 1665 (2).
John, Dec. 22, 1767, d. unm. April 4, 1712.
Hannah, Jan. 7, 1669–70, m. Dec. 19, 1691, Ebenezer Wright.
Clemence, Jan. 8, 1671, d. July 8, 1689.
Ebenezer, bapt. May 3, 1673, d. 1675.
Ebenezer, Feb. 5, 1675, m. May 27, 1698, Hannah Clark.
Mary, March 24, 1679, m. Dec. 6, 1701, Ebenezer Sheldon; she d. 1767.
Sarah, July 20, 1682.
Samuel, Sept. 15, 1684.

2. **Jonathan**, s. of Jonathan (1), b. 1665; lieutenant; of Dfd., 1684–6; rem. from Nhn. to Nfd., at the Third Settlement; maltster, and cooper; d. at Nhn., July 1, 1738.

He m. Martha, dau. Samuel Williams, of Pomfret, Ct. She d. March 21, 1751, a. 80.

Ch.: Theoda, or Theodore, Nov. 22, 1694.
Jonathan, April 24, 1697, m. Aug. 6, 1724, Thankful Strong.
Martha, April 18, 1699, m. June 17, 1725, Rev. Thomas White, of Bolton, Ct.
Elizabeth, March 2, 1701, m. April 26, 1722, Ebenezer Pomroy.
Samuel, 1703 (3).
Mary, Nov. 14, 1705, m. Dec. 14, 1732, Seth Pomroy. She d. Sept. 11, 1777.
Joseph, July 12, 1708.
John, Aug. 31, 1712.

3. **Samuel**, s. of Jona. (2), b. 1703; captain; a leading man in Nfd. for many years; a large landholder; grantee of Guilford, Vt., 1754, and of Hertford, Vt., 1761; d. Feb. 28, 1770.

He m. Anna Elsworth, dau. of John, of Windsor. She d. May 6, 1794, a. 90.

Ch.: Samuel, Sept. 29, 1734, m. — Strong; sett. in Charlestown, N. H.; an active officer in the French and Indian wars; colonel, 1778; first sheriff of Cheshire co., under the constitution, in 1784, which office he held to his death; was of the committee of safety, 1775; member of the Concord convention, 1778; d. 1799.
Anna, Oct. 23, 1736, m. Dec. 26, 1753, Rev. John Hubbard.
Jonathan, Sept. 12, 1738 (4).
Elisha, Dec. 22, 1740 (5).
Arad, July 31, 1743; general; sett. in Hins.; d. s. p. Feb. 19, 1825.
Sarah, Feb. 26, 1746, m. Oct. 15, 1767, Dr. Medad Pomroy.
Martha, bapt. July 22, 1750, m. Sept. 8, 1783, Noadiah Warner, of Hadley.

4. **Jonathan**, s. of Samuel (3), b. 1738. His father was a grantee of the town of Guilford, Vt., where he and his brother Elisha cleared the first land, in 1758; he settled in the part of Hins., now Ver.; major, in 1780; high sheriff, 1782; he took an active part in the military and civil affairs, resulting in the formation of the state of Vermont; and was a member of the convention of 1791, asking her admission to the Union; was lieutenant governor.

He m. July 15, 1779, Lavinia, dau. William Swan. She d. June 29, 1834.

Ch.: Jonathan, Aug. 12, 1780, d. Dec. 4, 1780.
Ellinor, Oct. 19, 1781, m. Hon. Lewis R. Morris.
Fanny, Feb. 7, 1783, m. 1802, Dr. Charles Blake.
Jonathan, May 12, 1787, d. May 15, 1832.
Arad, Sept. 22, 1790, m. Sally, dau. Jesse Newell.

5. **Elisha**, s. of Samuel (3), b. 1740; ensign; the largest land owner of his day in Nfd., where he kept a tavern for a long time; rep. nine years; d. Nov. 27, 1810.

He m. Oct. 24, 1771, Mary, dau. Aaron Lyman, of Belchertown.

Ch.: Samuel, bapt. Aug. 23, 1772 (6).
Molly, bapt. Feb. 13, 1774, m. April 10, 1797, Rev. Samuel C. Allen.
Elsworth, bapt. Nov. 5, 1775, m. Dec. 21, 1797, Electa, dau. Zebulon Allen.
Patty, bapt. Oct. 26, 1777, d. June 26, 1796.
Frederick, bapt. Oct. 10, 1779; D. C., 1800; d. April 18, 1805.
Elisha, bapt. Jan. 20, 1782, d. unm.
Sally, bapt. Aug. 29, 1784, d. Jan. 19, 1795.
Jonathan, bapt. June 4, 1786, m. Betsey Trowbridge; she was a wid. in 1814, and m. (2), Horatio G. Newcomb; she d. 1873.

6. **Samuel**, s. of Elisha (5), b. 1772; captain; d. Nov. 29, 1832.

He m. April, 1801, Philomelia Watriss. (2), Oct. 13, 1825, Submit, dau. Samuel Field. She m. (2), S. C. Allen, Jr.

Ch.: Samuel, April 3, 1802, d. unm.
John, Feb. 24, 1804.
Frederick, Dec. 10, 1806.
Martha, Sept. 30, 1808, d. July 4, 1813.
Elisha, Sept. 15, 1810; sett. in Hinsdale.
Charles, Aug. 10, 1812, d. Oct. 25, 1837.
Martha P., July 23, 1815, d. June 5, 1817.
Martha P., April 29, 1828, d. unm. Aug. 16, 1861.

1. HURLBUT, or HULBERT, **William**; Dorchester, 1630; freeman, 1632; Wind., 1636; Hart., 1647–50; Nhn., 1655; an engager for Nfd., 1672; d. April 17, 1694.

He m. (2), Anne, wid. of Samuel Allen, of Hart. She d. Nov. 13, 1687.

Ch.: Sarah, July 10, 1647.
Ann, bapt. March 17, 1650.
William, m. 1684, Ruth Salmon.
Abigail, d. Jan. 5, 1669.
Ruth, d. June 12, 1672.
Date or order of b. of the 3 last unknown.

HURLBURT, Cyperian, 1788–97; from Berkshire.

HURLBURT, Ethan, 1812.

HURLBURT, Gabriel, 1788–1810.

HURLBURT, Isaac; doctor; 1775–1806; d. about 1813.

HURLBURT, Isaac, 1811–16.

Ch.: Caroline.
Rebecca C., May 24, 1813.
Lucretia M., Sept. 5, 1816.
Simeon H., Sept. 7, 1818.

HURLBURT, Simeon, 1808–12.

1. HUTCHINSON, Ralph; rem. from Boston to Nhn.; an engager for Nfd., and settler, 1673; did not return at the Second Settlement; d. at Nhn., Oct. 24, 1703.

He m. Aug. 8, 1656, Alice, wid. of Francis Bennet, of Boston. She d. Jan. 10, 1714.

Ch.: John, b. in Boston (2).
Mehitable, d. May 21, 1662.
Mercy, d. April 26, 1662.
Mehitable, July 21, 1662, d. Jan., 1663.
Judah, April 15, 1664 (3).
Samuel, 1666 (4).
Eleizer, May 31, 1668, d. May 16, 1689.
Moses, Sept. 8, 1671 (5).

2. John, s. of Ralph (1), Nfd., 1685; rem. to Lebanon, Ct., 1705.

He m. Dec. 27, 1682, Hannah, dau. Joseph Root, of Nhn.

Ch.: John, Feb. 21, 1683–4.
Jonathan, Feb. 22, 1685–6.
Hannah, Oct. 1, 1688.
Joseph, Nov. 17, 1690.
Thankful, Aug. 14, 1693.
Hezekiah, March 2, 1696.

3. Judah, s. of Ralph (1), b. 1664; of Nfd. at the Second Settlement; d. June 21, 1741.

He m. 1691, Mary, dau. John Bridgman, of Northampton.

Ch.: Mary, March 31, 1693, d. young.
Ruth, Jan., 1695.
Ebenezer, Nov. 18, 1696.
Abigail, March 2, 1698.
Mary, May 15, 1699, m. June 20, 1717, William Hannum.
John, d. May 24, 1730.

4. Samuel, s. of Ralph (1), b. 1666; Nfd., 1685; of Lebanon, Ct., 1705.

He m. May, 1691, Sarah, dau. Joseph Root, of Northampton.

Ch.: Samuel, Aug. 6, 1692.
Sarah, June 15, 1695.

5. Moses, s. of Ralph (1), b. 1671; Nfd., 1685; killed at Pascomuck, May 13, 1704.

He m. May 27, 1698, Mary, dau. John Clary. They had two ch., one of whom was killed with the father.

HURD, Thomas, 1814.

INGRAHAM, Elisha, 1818–19.

INGRAHAM, Nathaniel, 1797.

JACOBS, Nathaniel, 1793–1818.

1. JANES, William, b. in England abt. 1610; came to New Eng., 1637; of New Haven, 1639–56; of Nhn., 1657, where he was recorder, school

master, and teaching elder; an engager for Nfd., and there at the First Settlement; in his office of teaching elder, he preached to the settlers, congregated under the shelter of the famous old *Northfield Oak*, at the First Settlement. He did not return at the Second Settlement, but d. at Nhn., April 20, 1690.

He m. in England, Mary, who d. April 4, 1662. (2), Nov. 20, 1662, Hannah, dau. Thomas Bascom, wid. of John Broughton. She d. March, 1681.

Ch.: Joseph, 1636; of Nhn. and Nfd.; petr. 1671; d. unm. Feb. 26, 1694.
Elisha, 1639, d. Feb. 11, 1662, at Spfd.
Nathaniel, 1641, d. Jan. 22, 1662, at Spfd.
Abel, 1646 (2).
Abigail, 1647.
Ruth, Feb. 15, 1650, m. July 3, 1667, John Searl. She d. Nov. 2, 1672.
Jacob, 1652.
William, 1654, m. 1685, Sarah Clark.
Rebecca, 1656, d. unm.
Jeremiah, 1658, d. 1675.
Ebenezer, 1659,
Jonathan, 1661, } killed by Indians at the attack on Nfd., Sept. 2, 1675.
Samuel, Oct. 9, 1663 (3).
Hepzibah, Feb. 13, 1666.
Hannah, Oct. 5, 1669.
Benjamin, Sept. 30, 1672 (4).

2. ABEL, s. of William (1), b. 1646; petitioner for Nfd., 1671; a sol. in the Falls fight, 1676; rem. from Nhn. to Lebanon, Ct., 1706; d. Dec. 18, 1718.

He m. Nov. 4, 1679, Mary, dau. William Judd. She d. April 24, 1735, a. 80.

Ch.: Mary, Oct. 8, 1680, m. May 16, 1700, Benjamin King. (2), Jonathan Graves.
Ruth, June 5, 1682, m. Dec. 1, 1702, Ebenezer Chapin, of Springfield.
Elizabeth, July 22, 1684.
Sarah, m. Dec. 19, 1701, Waitstill Strong.
William; of Lebanon, Ct., 1737; m. June 5, 1712, Abigail Loomis.
Elisha, m. Mindwell —.
Esther, m. Stephen Hunt, of Lebanon.
Noah, Nov. 30, 1697.
Rachael, March 26, 1700.
Bathshaba, April 8, 1703.

3. Samuel, s. of William (1), b. 1663; at Nfd. through the Second Settlement; killed at Pascomuck, by Indians, May 13, 1704.

He m. Feb. 23, 1680, Elizabeth, dau. William Smead, of Nhn. and Dfd., b. May 20, 1663. (2), 1692, Sarah, dau. Samuel Hinsdell; killed with her husband.

Ch.: Samuel, Sept. 30, 1693; tomahawked when his father was killed, but recovered.
Hepzibah, Jan. 4, 1695.
Jonathan, Jan. 14, 1696 (5).
Obadiah, April 21, 1697, d. young.
Obadiah, April 3, 1799,
Ebenezer, May 16, 1701,
Sarah, May 9, 1703, } killed by Indians, with parents.

4. BENJAMIN, s. of William (1), b. 1672; deacon; sett. at Pascomuck, where, in the attack on that hamlet, May 13, 1704, his wife was knocked on the head and scalped, and three children killed; of Weth., 1707; rem. to Nfd. at the Third Settlement; thence rem., between 1725, and 1729, to Coventry, Ct., and June 9, 1731, was of Lebanon, Ct. At a meeting of the Gen. Court, of Ct., May 8, 1707, "upon petition of Benj. Janes, late of Nhn., now resident in Wethersfield, complaining of his great sufferings by the French and Indian enemies, who rifled his house, killed four of his children, and scalpt his wife, who hath long been, and still is under cure, and himself so impoverisht that he is unable to satisfie the surgeons, in whose hands she hath been, and is long like to be, for their cost and pains therein; the governor and council, considering his case, and judging him to be an object of charitie,

order that he shall have a brief, craving the charitie of the good people in the towns of Branford, Guilford, Kilinsworth, and Saybrook, for his relief."

He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Hannah, May 14, 1696, } killed May 13, 1704.
Mirriam, Jan. 7, 1700,
Nathan, Jan. 18, 1703.
Hepzibah, Dec. 14, 1706, d. young.
Silence, 1708, m. 1725, Henry Curtis, of Northampton.
Hannah, June 16, 1710, m. Nov. 28, 1725, John Brown, of Northfield.
Hepzibah, June 16, 1710.
Miriam, date of birth unknown.
Seth, 1713, m. Jan. 2, 1739, Sarah Larabee.
Elisha, 1715, m. April 20, 1740, wid. Mary Dimock.

5. **Jonathan**, s. of Samuel (3), b. 1696; weaver; d. Feb. 19, 1776.

He m. April 19, 1732, Jemima Graves, who d. June 18, 1790, a. 85.

Ch.: Hannah, Aug. 31, 1734, m. Aug. 3, 1752, James Oliver.
Ebenezer, July 31, 1736 (6).
Sarah, Dec. 26, 1738, m. Ebenezer Harvey. She d. Nov. 12, 1764.
Jemima, May 11, 1742, d. Oct. 25, 1748.

6. **Ebenezer**, s. of Jonathan (5), b. 1736; deacon; lieutenant; manufacturer of grave stones; town clerk 16 years; rep.; delegate to the Provincial Congress, 1775; rep., 1778; d. Jan. 22, 1808.

He m. June 8, 1755, Sarah, dau. Pedajah Field. She d. March 5, 1766, a. 28. (2), March 29, 1770, Mehitable, dau. Simeon Alexander. She d. Sept. 24, 1835, a. 90.

Ch.: Jonathan, Feb. 25, 1756 (7).
Jemima, } May 16, } m. July 6, 1771, John Allen; she d. Aug. 31, 1786.
Ruth, } 1756, } m. June 26, 1777, Calvin Bliss, of Bernardston.
Obadiah, July 9, 1759 (8).
Salima, March 11, 1761, m. Dec. 18, 1782, Seth Munn.
Hannah, Jan. 5, 1763, d. July 13, 1770.
Samuel, May 11, 1764 (9).
Ebenezer, Jan. 1, 1766, d. Nov. 5, 1766.
Ebenezer, Feb. 5, 1771, d. Aug. 27, 1775.
Xenophon, Sept. 3, 1772 (10).
Sarah, Oct. 11, 1774, d. Sept. 1, 1775.
Sarah, April 28, 1777, d. Sept. 24, 1779.
Ebenezer, Sept. 13, 1779 (11).
James O., July 16, 1782 (12).
Alexander, Oct. 8, 1785, d. June 3, 1787.

7. **Jonathan**, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1756; Rev. sol.; lieutenant; d. March 22, 1813.

He m. Dec. 18, 1777, Caroline, dau. Samuel Mattoon. She d. Aug. 15, 1821.

Ch.: Elihu, July 27, 1778; sett. in Charlestown.
Onda, Nov. 18, 1780.
Henry, July 29, 1782, drowned April 17, 1805.
Robert, June 7, 1784, d. July 2, 1819.
Caroline, March 23, 1787, m. Noah Perry.
Sally, Jan. 23, 1789, m. May 26, 1812, Arnold Cook, of Charlestown.
Jonathan, Jan. 28, 1791 (13).
Abigail, May 29, 1792, m. Oct. 10, 1813, Richard Lyman.
Philena, April 5, 1794, m. Jacob Newcomb.
Cynthia, March 23, 1797, m. Thomas Russell, of Dorchester.
Mary P., June 14, 1799, d. Sept. 25, 1812.
William, Sept. 7, 1802.

8. **Obadiah**, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1759; Rev. sol.; rem. to Ohio.

He m. Mary Oliver, who d. Sept. 27, 1783. (2), 1785, Harmony Bingham.

Ch.: Infant, Sept., 1783, d. Feb. 10, 1784.
Infant, d. Feb. 4, 1786.
Polly, March 20, 1787, m. Joseph Doolittle.
Jabez, Jan. 24, 1789, d. Sept. 24, 1813.
Melenda, May 5, 1591, m. Otis Munn.
Oliver, Sept. 24, 1793.
Harmony, Sept. 2, 1795, m. Adolphus Hosley.

Naomi, Aug. 4, 1797, m. William Mitchell.
Laura, Aug. 27, 1799, d. March 6, 1833.
Alonzo, Sept. 21, 1802, m. Mary A. Disbrow. (2), Harriet Converse.
John, Feb. 4, 1804, d. Oct. 25, 1817.
Sophia, June 11, 1806, m. Asbury Sabine.
Lucretia, April 13, 1808, m. 1828, Solomon Dunton.
Harris, June 21, 1810, m. 1834, Julia King.

9. **Samuel**, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1764; sett. in Gill.

He m. Jan. 9, 1787, Susanna, dau. Capt. Samuel Merriman.

Ch.: Harris, Nov. 23, 1787, m. Harriet W. Mason.
Mary, Dec. 18, 1789, m. Alvah Ballard.
Sally, July 25, 1794, m. Eliphas Chapin.
Susan, March 1, 1797.
Hannah C., Aug. 12, 1800, d. March 25, 1837.
Sylvanus M., March 8, 1803, m. Eunice Moore.
Samuel, Dec. 8, 1806.
Ebenezer A., Aug. 8, 1809.

10. **Xenophon**, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1772; deacon; miller; town clerk 8 years; d. Oct. 21, 1829.

He m. Jan. 27, 1796, Sarah Patrick, who d. May 3, 1814, a. 39. (2), Jan. 7, 1824, Tirza, dau. Samuel Childs, of Dfd.; d. April 5, 1858, a. 77.

Ch.: Mehitable, Oct. 27, 1796, m. Sept. 28, 1817, Medad Alexander.
Anna, May 21, 1798.
Isabel, Dec. 20, 1799, m. Sept. 3, 1822, John Howland.
Paschal Peole, April 13, 1801, m. Jane E. Hiller.
Samuel P., March 3, 1803, m. Sarah Parsons.
Sarah, June 5, 1804, m. June 11, 1826, Wright Cannon.
Ebenezer, March 4, 1806, m. Martha Billings. She d. Sept. 28, 1846, a. 36.
Frederick, May 6, 1808 (13).
Mary Ann, July 30, 1809, m. Augustine Stebbins.

11. **Ebenezer**, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1779; grad. D. C., 1801; ship master.

He m. March 7, 1811, Lucretia, dau. Joseph Smith, of Petersham. She d. Oct. 30, 1831, a. 51.

Ch.: Juliana, Feb. 27, 1812, d. Sept. 2, 1815.
Ebenezer, May 23, 1814, m. Mary Odell.
Joseph, Nov. 28, 1818, m. Hannah Holton.
Edward H., Oct. 3, 1820, m. Jane E. Yates.
Juliana, Oct. 28, 1822, m. David Sanford.

12. **James O.**, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1782, d. Aug. 30, 1829.

He m. Oct. 28, 1807, Roxana, dau. Walter Field. She d. Nov. 5, 1810. (2), before Aug. 3, 1815, Joanna, dau. Samuel Holton. She d. May 2, 1835, a. 52.

Ch.: Lucretia L., Dec. 17, 1808, m. Daniel L. Callender.
Roxana, Sept. 28, 1810, d. March 20, 1811.
Roxana, } Feb. 17, } d. Aug. 21, 1830.
Joanna, } 1824, } d. July 6, 1831.

13. **Jonathan**, s. of Jonathan (7), b. 1718.

He m. May 14, 1818, Harriet B. Cheney.

Ch.: Mary H., April 16, 1819.
William, Nov. 1, 1821.

14. **Frederick**, s. of Xenophon (10), b. 1808; ordained as an Evangelist, 1837; preached in North Walton and Colchester, N. Y., 1837-40; sett. in Bernardston, Nov. 4, 1840; dis. Nov. 9, 1843; sett. in Pelham, 1844; dis., 1845; preached a short time in Mich.; has been an agent of a missionary society, and teacher; was in New York, 1854, editing a religious magazine; author of *Genealogy of the Janes Family.*

He m. Sept. 15, 1833, Paulina Burnell, who d. Nov. 20, 1851. (2), Jan. 18, 1853, Rachael B. Truesdale, who d. 1874.

Ch.: Margaret P., Sept. 17, 1834.
Mary S., June 28, 1836.
John C., July 6, 1839.
Lucy A., June 10, 1841, m. Albert Leffer.
Josephine A., Dec. 10, 1854.
William A., Nov. 11, 1856.
Anna F., April 3, 1858.
Isabella, June 10, 1801, d. May 9, 1864.
Charles H., Oct. 23, 1865.

JARVIS, Edward, 1833-34; doctor; H. C., 1826; greatly distinguished in his profession.

JESOP, Adam, 1806-16; a manufacturer of weavers' reeds.

JOHNSON, Francis.
He m. May 17, 1825, Fanny S., dau. Theodore Holton.

Ch.: Mary A., Nov. 13, 1827.
Julia M., March 1, 1836.
George F., Sept. 1, 1838.
Albert O., Oct. 21, 1842.
Fanny M., Dec. 25, 1844.
Alice G., Dec. 3, 1846.
Charles E., March 16, 1848.

JOHNSON, Henry, s. of Calvin; res. in South Hadley Falls.
He m., 1831, Fanny, dau. Abijah Fisher. She d. Feb. 1, 1838, a. 30. (2), 1839, Martha Wright, who d. April 12, 1871. (3), Oct. 8, 1872, Ellen Tenney.

Ch.: Henry H., Oct. 22, 1832, m. Almira Wright.
Marshall M., Jan. 25, 1834, m. Kezia P. Johnson.
Frances E., Nov. 5, 1835, d. Nov. 8, 1841.
Sarah E., Aug. 8, 1837, m. Alonzo Billings.
Watson W., Oct. 14, 1839, d. Oct. 9, 1840.
Watson W., Apr. 8, 1841, m. Electa Wright; res. in Keene, N. H.
Dudley D., Sept. 8, 1843, m. Mary E. Mattoon; res. at Holyoke.
Anna M., April 2, 1845, m. T. H. Browning, of Westerly, R. I.
Charles G., July 4, 1848.
Roger S., June 10, 1851.

JOHNSON, Isaac; a Rev. sol.

JOHNSON, Isaac. He m. Thankful ——.

Ch.: Maria, April 7, 1805.
Thomas, July 6, 1806.
Caleb, Jan. 7, 1809.
Lucretia, March 7, 1812.
Sarah, 1814.
Arad, May 7, 1815.
Susan, July 13, 1817.

JOHNSON, Joseph, 1793.

JOHNSON, Thomas, 1797.

KEENY, Daniel, 1808.

KEENY, Henry, 1749-51.

KEITH, Owen S., from Framingham, 1829; H. C., 1826; first preceptor of Northfield Academy; rem. to Cambridge.
He m. June 5, 1833, Lucretia, dau. William Pomroy.

1. KEMPLAND, William, from Athol, about 1780; d. Aug. 11, 1806.
He m. Jemima ——.

Ch.: Jesse, Jan. 22, 1760.
Samuel, May 2, 1761.
William, 1763 (2).

2. William, s. of William (1), b. 1763; a miller; d. Feb. 14, 1853.

He m. May 31, 1801, Elizabeth, dau. Isaac Kendall. She d. Oct. 6, 1869, a. 90.

Ch.: Polly, Aug. 14, 1801, m. Oct. 19, 1817, Silas Stewart.
Jesse, July 2, 1803, m. Charlotte —.
Charlotte, Aug. 9, 1806.
William, Feb. 2, 1811.
Harriet, July 13, 1813.

KENDALL, David, 1793.

1. KENDALL, Isaac, b. 1752; from Sterling; Rev. sol.; drowned July 14, 1821.

He m. Catherine Dunkley. Order of children's birth unknown.

Ch.: Elizabeth, 1779, m. May 31, 1801, William Kempland.
Robert (2).
George (3).
Jesse; a sol. in war of 1812; d. in the army.
Isaac; d. in the U. S. army.
Elisha.
Levi, m. Hannah Gibbons.
John; a sailor; lost at sea.
Tirza, m. Isaac Russell.
Mary A., Oct. 5, 1804, m. Guilford Pratt.

2. Robert, s. of Isaac (1), b. 1786; d. Dec. 18, 1837.

He m. May 2, 1825, Hannah Thayer, Putney, Vt., who d. April 2, 1866, a. 72.

Ch.: Orrissa W., May 6, 1829, m. July 4, 1851, Horace McKenney. (2), Lyman O. Smith.
Arethusa B., July 10, 1831, m. July 21, 1852, George R. Stebbins.
Lydia E., April 10, 1835, m. March, 1853, Benj. A. Gaines, of Guilford, Vt.

3. George, s. of Isaac (1).

He m. Electa Cowing, of Cummington. Order of birth of children uncertain.

Ch.: Dwight, b. at Cummington, Oct. 23, 1823.
Charles, April 18, 1825.
Ardelusia, July 19, 1827, d. Jan. 16, 1829.
George S., June 29, 1829; sett. in Worcester.
James, 1831.
Lucy, 1833.
William, 1835.
Isaac.
Edwin, d. young.
Cynthia.
Mary E.
Ella.
Arthur.
Job S.

KENDALL, Thomas. He m. Nov. 30, 1814, Onda Tiffany.

Ch.: Abigail, Aug. 16, 1816.
Onda, Sept. 18, 1818.
Frederick, April 28, 1821.

KENDRICK, Bartholomew, 1808.

KENDRICK, Oliver, 1775–1814.

KEYES, Submit. She m. Oct. 27, 1763, John Eastman, of Hadley.

KILBOURNE, John, Nfd., 1741, thence rem. to Walpole, where he was the first settler. He is celebrated for the heroic defense of his cabin, against the attack of 400 Indians, Aug. 17, 1755; his garrison consisted of his son John, aged 17, John Peak, and son, and, not the least efficient, his wife and daughter. To commemorate this brave defense, the mountain, east of Bellows Falls, bears the name of Mount Kilbourne. He d. April 8, 1789, a. 84.

He m. Ruth ——.

Ch.: John, 1738.
Hetty.

KILBOURN, Mary. She m. July 13, 1756, Noah Smith, of Hadley.

KING, Asahel.
He m. Feb. 14, 1788, Lydia, dau. Capt. Thomas Alexander.

KING, Hophni; capt., 1763; Rev. sol.; carpenter and joiner; "the first in town who worked by *square rule*, and was considered a very wonderful man to be able to frame a house in the woods." So says Dea. Phineas Field.

He m. Dec. 10, 1767, Joanna, dau. Samuel Holton.

Ch.: Asahel, Feb. 7, 1769, m. Feb. 14, 1788, Lydia Alexander.
Lucy, May 28, 1771, d. Jan. 31, 1775.
Rhoda, Jan. 5, 1774, d. Oct. 19, 1775.
The two next above "dyed suddenly with rattles." [*Ch. rec.*]
Lucy, Dec. 15, 1776.
Rhoda, May 1, 1779.
Joseph, March 26, 1785.

KING, James, 1808; from Dummerston, Vt.
He m. 1806, Keziah, dau. Ebenezer Field. She d. in Boston.

1. KING, John, b. 1629; captain; from Nhn., Eng.; of Hart., 1645; Nhn., 1654; rep., 1679–89; grantee of Nfd., and one of the committee for settling that town, 1683; military com. for Nhn., 1692; d. Dec. 3, 1703.

He m. Nov. 18, 1656, Sarah, dau. William Holton. She d. May 8, 1683. (2), Nov. 1683, Sarah, wid. of Jacob Mygatt, dau. of Wm. Whiting. She d. at Winds., 1705.

Ch.: John, July, 1657 (2).
William, March 28, 1660 (3).
Thomas, July 14, 1662 (4).
Samuel, Jan. 6, 1664–5 (5).
Eleazer, March 26, 1667, d. unm. 1699.
Joseph, March 23, 1668–9, d. young.
Sarah, May 3, 1671, m. Dec. 22, 1692, Ebenezer Pomroy.
Joseph, May 8, 1673 (6).
Benjamin, March 1, 1675 (7).
Thankful, Sept., 1679, m. Sept. 15, 1704, Samuel Clapp.
David, 1681; in Capt. Benj. Wright's scout, 1709; Sheffield; d. 1730; his son, Benj., b. 1710, was killed at Fort Mass., June 7, 1756.
Jonathan, April 25, 1683 (8).
Prob. Daniel, who d. June 24, 1775, a. 85.

2. John, s. of John (1), b. 1657; lieutenant; Nhn.; in the Falls fight, 1676; freeman, 1690; in Capt. Benj. Wright's scout, 1709; d. March 20, 1720.

He m. Nov. 4, 1686, Mehitable, dau. Medad Pomroy. She d. Nov. 8, 1755, a. 89.

Ch.: Mehitable, March 13, 1690, m. April 13, 1712, Eliakim Strong.
Experience, April 17, 1693, m. Aug. 16, 1716, Timothy Dwight.
Medad, March 26, 1699; had his father's share in the Falls fight township, 1736.
Catherine, Aug. 17, 1701, m. — Hickock. (2), Nathaniel Phelps. (3), Gideon Lyman.
John, April 1, 1704; sol. at Fort Dummer, 1724.
Twins, June 1, 1706, d. in infancy.
Thankful, Feb. 18, 1709, d. young.

3. William, s. of John (1), b. 1660; sergeant; sol. at Dfd., 1708; d. Sept. 20, 1728.

He m. 1686, Elizabeth, dau. Henry Denslow, of Winds. She d. May 27, 1746, a. 80.

Ch.: William, Sept. 7, 1687.
Daniel, Oct. 17, 1689.
Josiah, Aug. 27, 1693; cordwainer; Nfd., 1725, where he bo't Benoni Craft's homestead; clerk of Capt. Kellogg's co., 1724.
John, June 11, 1697.
Eleazer, Dec., 1701.
Elizabeth, June 15, 1707.

4. Thomas, s. of John (1), b. 1662; rem. to Hfd., 1686; to Hart. abt. 1694; d. Dec. 26, 1711.

He m. Nov. 17, 1683, Abigail, dau. Jedediah Strong. She d. 1689, a. 23. (2), Nov., 1690, Mary, dau. Robert Webster, of Hart. She d. Sept. 27, 1706. A third wife, died Jan. 2, 1712; name unknown.

Ch.: Thomas, Dec. 3, 1684, d. young.
Abigail, Jan. 31, 1687.
Mary, Oct. 5, 1691, m. April 4, 1711, Thomas Clapp.
Thomas and Robert.

5. Samuel, s. of John (1), b. 1665; Nhn.; grantee of Nfd., 1682; d. Oct. 3, 1701.

He m. 1690, Joanna, wid. of Thomas Alvord, dau. John Taylor. She m. (2), Nov. 26, 1702, Deliverance Bridgman.

Ch.: Eliakim, Feb. 19, 1692, m. Dec. 2, 1719, Hannah Strong, who d. Oct. 10, 1722, a. 26.
Samuel, Nov. 19, 1693, m. Jan. 10, 1717, Hannah Stebbins, who d. Feb. 13, 1733, a. 39.
Jemima, m. Dec. 19, 1717, Samuel Wright.
Twins, July 31, 1699, d. in infancy.

6. Joseph, s. of John (1), b. 1673; lieutenant; Nhn.; d. Dec. 3, 1734.

He m. June 3, 1696, Mindwell, dau. Medad Pomroy. She d. Nov. 21, 1732. (2), Aug. 30, 1733, Mindwell Porter.

Ch.: Sarah, March 10, 1697, m. Aug. 18, 1718, James *Brown* (?)
Esther, Jan. 1, 1700, d. young.
Eunice, March 12, 1703.
Mindwell, March 15, 1705.
Phineas, Sept. 27, 1707, d. at Southampton, Jan. 10, 1768.
Joseph, Nov. 24, 1709; accidentally killed while hunting, by Samuel Burt.
Thankful, Feb. 9, 1712.
Simeon, Oct. 28, 1714, m. 1737, Mindwell, dau. Noah Parsons; in Capt. John Burk's rangers, 1756.

7. Benjamin, s. of John (1), b. 1675; garrison sol. at Dfd., and in the Pomroy pursuit, 1698; d. Jan. 20, 1718.

He m. May 16, 1700, Mary, dau. Abel Janes. She m. (2), 1721, Jona. Graves.

Ch.: Elisha, Nov. 11, 1717, m. May 20, 1753, Jemima Graves. He d. 1786.

8. Jonathan, s. of John (1), b. 1683; rem. to Bolton, Ct., 1724; d. June 10, 1774.

He m. April 18, 1711, Mary, dau. Thomas French, of Dfd. She d. March 24, 1758, a. 71.

Ch.: Jonathan, Jan. 25, 1712, m. Feb. 16, 1743, Martha Woodward; sett. in Coventry, Ct.
Abigail, Dec. 1, 1713, m. Nov. 8, 1733, Isaac Bronson. She d. Feb. 27, 1799.
Charles, July 3, 1716, m. Sept. 5, 1739, Sarah King.
Mary, May 31, 1718.
Beriah, Oct. 2, 1721, d. April 10, 1722.
Seth, April 18, 1723, m. April 23, 1747, Mary Smith; sett. in Bolton, now Vernon, Ct.; d. 1780.
Oliver, April 20, 1726.
Gideon, Aug. 24, 1729, m. and sett. in New Hartford, Ct.; d. 1802.

KNAPP, Daniel, 1760–71. He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Sale, Feb. 7, 1769, d. July 15, 1770.

KNIGHTS, Amaziah, 1766–9.

He m. Jan. 29, 1767, Lydia Wright, of Granby.

Ch.: Phineas, bapt. Sept. 3, 1767.

1. KNIGHTS, Benjamin; Hfd., 1725; sol. at Fort Dummer, from Nfd., 1730; rem. to Nhn. before 1758.

He m. Dec. 14, 1723, Esther, dau. Joseph Burt; and (2), Hannah ——.

Ch.: Simeon, May 23, 1725 (2).
Esther, June 8, 1728.
Hannah, Nov. 24, 1729.
Benjamin (3).

2. Simeon, s. of Benjamin (1), b. 1725; rem., in 1752, to Westminster, Vt., where he was one of the three first sett.; driven thence by the Indians, he ret. to Nfd.; was in Capt. John Burk's co. of rangers, and cap. at the fall of Fort William Henry, Aug., 1757. He was alive in Canada, Sept. 20, 1758, but d. before April 15, 1759. It is supposed he d. in captivity.

He m. Sarah, dau. of John Harwood, of Ware River, to which place she rem. after the death of her husband.

Ch.: Eunice, July 24, 1751.
Lois, Feb. 4, 1753.
Elisha, Dec. 29, 1754.
Elijah, Dec. 27, 1756.

3. Benjamin, s. of Benjamin (1), sett. in Hfd., but rem. to Cold Spring; was a sol. in the French and Indian wars.

He m. Mary ——, who d. June 2, 1754.

Ch.: Catherine, May 11, 1748.
Lucius, May 30, 1750.

KNIGHTS, Jesse, 1815; from Dummerston, Vt.; d. June 8, 1851, a. 67.

He m. Betsey Dickinson, b. 1787.

Ch.: Orrilla.
Serepta, m. Francis Snow, of Bernardston.
Jane D., Nov. 27, 1815, m. Franklin Barber.
Bethany, May 25, 1818, m. June 5, 1843, Elijah Stebbins.
William O., Nov. 11, 1821, m. Sarah Marvell.
Sally, Jan. 7, 1824, m. July 6, 1848, Stephen G. Wilds.
Sylvester, about 1832.

LAMB, George, 1786.

LAMB, Isaac, 1781–97.

LAMB, Levi, 1781–1805. He m. Feb. 1, 1803, Effie Carter.

LANE, Samuel, 1740.

1. LANE, Samuel, s. of Elkanah, of Taunton, b. Jan. 9, 1759; Rev. sol.; rem. from Winch. to Nfd., 1807; d. Jan. 26, 1845.

He m. June 15, 1785, Eunice Scott, who d. Nov. 28, 1825, a. 59.

Ch.: Elijah, } Oct. 2, } m. Fanny Scott, of Winchester.
Elisha, } 1789, } (2).
Ebenezer, sett. in Penn.
Ezekiel, m. Rachael Fisk; sett. in Swanzey, N. H.
Samuel, m. Maria Parker, of Fitzwilliam, N. H.
Lucy, m. Hale Mason.

Elisha, s. of Samuel (1), b. 1789; res. in Winch., and Swanzey, N. H.; d. June 20, 1859.

He m. June 28, 1809, Electa Healy, who d. May, 11, 1817, a. 27. (2), April 9, 1834, Aseneth, dau. Selah Norton. She d. April 6, 1873, a. 77.

Ch.: Eliza A., March 27, 1810; d. 1813.
Samuel, Sept. 27, 1812 (3).
Ephraim, Jan. 6, 1815, m. April 6, 1845, Caroline E. Wakeman, of N. Haven, Ct.
Elkanah, Feb. 11, 1837, m. Oct. 29, 1868, Susan G. Ellis.
Frederick A., May 3, 1838, m. June 1, 1859, Ellen Worsley. (2), Nov. 28, 1866, Frances S. Willard.

3. Samuel, s. of Elisha (2), b. 1812; rem. from Winch. to Nfd., 1845; seaman; was master of a whaleship; d. May 8, 1864.

He m. Sept. 25, 1845, Charlotte O., dau. Calvin Stearns. She d. March 2, 1874, a. 51.

Ch.: Cara Marie, Nov. 6, 1851, d. March 5, 1854.
Flora, Feb. 14, 1853.

LARABEE, John; from Swanzey, about 1764; rem. to Guilford, Vt., 1778.

He m. Alvira ——, from Swanzey.

Ch.: John, bapt. Dec. 29, 1765.
James, bapt. June 30, 1767.
Bethsheba, bapt. May 7, 1769; "4th child."
Mary, bapt. Sept. 22, 1771, m. — Peabody. (2), Calvin Doolittle.
Samuel, bapt. Sept. 5, 1773.

LATHAM, James, 1773.

LAUGHTON, James, 1807.

LAWRENCE, Elias, 1763–4.

LAWRENCE, John, 1773.

LAWRENCE, William; captain, 1813.

He m. July 18, 1815, wid. Dorcas Leach.

Ch.: Nancy, m. Charles Wilder.

LAWRENCE, Zachery, prob. s. of John, of Watertown. If so, b. March 9, 1659; grantee of Nfd., 1682; sett., 1685; of Hfd., 1714.

LEE, Caleb, 1818; from Ver.; returned after a few years.

LEE, Reuben, 1811.

LEE, Zebulon, 1765. He m. Mary ——.

Ch.: Lucy, bapt. May 11, 1766.
Asher, bapt. May 11, 1766, d. May 18, 1766.
Mary, bapt. May 7, 1767.

LEONARD, Samuel, 1780; rem. to Warwick. He m. Silence ——.

Ch.: Samuel, Jan. 19, 1782.

LEWIS, John, 1789; mulatto.

LEWIS, William, 1803–5.

LEWIS, William, Jr., 1803. He m. Sarah ——.

Ch.: Kitty, Jan. 5, 1805.
William, Jan. 27, 1806.
Moses Sears, March 14, 1808.

LINCOLN, Cushing, 1812; from Hingham; rem. to War.; d. Nov. 9, 1861, a. 87.

He m. Sept. 22, 1814, Roxana Moody. (2), Feb. 27, 1823, Mrs. Mara Gale, at Warwick, who d. Nov. 30, 1859.

Ch.: Jotham, Feb. 14, 1815.

LINCOLN, Peleg, 1801–10.

LINCOLN, Zadock, 1799–1810.

LINKFIELD, **Benjamin**, 1765; of Winch., 1772.

Ch.: Hannah, Sally, and John, who were bapt. Nov. 11, 1776.

LONG, **John**, from Swanzey, N. H.
He m. Mehitable Hamblet, who d. Jan. 6, 1843, a. 56.

Ch.: Mehitable March 10, 1807, m. John Angel.
David, Nov. 15, 1812, m. Mary H. Cary.
Sarah, Dec. 22, 1814, m. June 20, 1829, Lucius Moody.
Alvin A., March 25, 1817, m. Mary Fisher.
Mary, Jan. 3, 1820, m. Nov. 18, 1841, Dickinson Holton.
John, April 15, 1823, m. Lois Harris.
Josiah H., Oct. 19, 1829, d. Oct. 9, 1830.

1. LORD, **Robert**; Ipswich; freeman, 1636; rep., 1638; town clerk, clerk of the courts, and reg. of deeds; d. 1658.
He m. Mary Waite. Order of children's birth unknown.

Ch.: Thomas, 1633 (2).
Robert, about 1634.
Samuel, 1640.
Joseph, d. young.
Nathaniel, d. 1658.
Abigail, m. Feb. 26, 1666, Jacob Foster.
Hannah.
Dau., m. a Chandler.

2. **Thomas**, s. of Robert (1), b. 1633; Charlestown; d. June 4, 1713.
He m. Alice, dau. Robert Rand. She d. Aug. 11, 1721, a. 87.

Ch.: Thomas, 1664, d. Nov. 11, 1749.
Nathaniel, bapt. Nov. 4, 1666.
Mary, bapt. Nov. 4, 1666.
Elizabeth, Aug. 23, 1668.
Joseph, Benjamin, Sept. 25, 1670, d. in infancy.
Joseph, June 23, 1672 (3).
Abigail, July 26, 1674.

3. **Joseph**, s. of Thomas (2), b. 1670; H. C., 1691; minister at Dorchester, S. C., for 20 years; first minister of Chatham, 1720, where he remained until his death, in 1748. We have no knowledge of his family, except a son, Joseph (4).

4. **Joseph**, s. of Joseph (3), b. about 1704; H. C., 1726; of Hfd., 1733; was one of the five original settlers of Athol, who sat down in the forest there, Sept. 1735. He was for many years the leading man in the settlement; being the first preacher, first magistrate, first proprietor's clerk, first treasurer, first surveyor, and first tax gatherer. In 1755, Col. Ebenezer Hinsdale paid him £3 6s. 10d. for preaching four sabbaths at Hinsdale. In 1759, he rem. to Putney, Vt., and later, to Westmoreland, N. H.; was judge of the court of Common Pleas for Cumberland county, and in high favor with the king's party before the Revolution. He d. Dec. 7, 1778.

Ch.: Joseph, April 17, 1730.
William, May 3, 1732.
Mary, Dec. 2, 1733.
Thomas, Jan. 17, 1736 (5).
Stephen (6).
Nathaniel; of Putney, Vt., 1778.
Sarah, m. July 21, 1763, Judge Thomas Chandler, of Vt.

5. **Thomas**, s. of Joseph (4), b. 1736; Athol; d. Dec. 3, 1810.
He m. Leonard Smith. She m. (2), Stephen Stratton.

Ch.: Asa, Oct 1, 1761.
Joseph, Oct. 26, 1763; lieutenant.
Aaron, Dec. 25, 1766; lieutenant; m. Oct. 3, 1792, Hannah Graves.
Abigail S., July 7, 1772.
Abel, March 12, 1774.
Rhoda, March 1, 1776.
Thomas, Feb. 17, 1780 (7).
Jotham, June 4, 1783, m. Julia, dau. James Allen.
Leonard, m. Jan. 6, 1803, Asaph Oliver.
Gardner, April 3, 1788, m. March 4, 1813, Nancy Young.
Absalom, June 30, 1790.

6. Stephen, s. of Joseph (4), Athol. He m. Mary ——.

Ch.: Stephen, June 15, 1760, d. June 26, 1764.
Ichabod, Nov. 27, 1762.
Samuel, Feb. 9, 1767.
Benjamin, April 14, 1769.
John, April 19, 1771.

7. Thomas, s. of Thomas (5), b. 1780; rem. to Nfd. about 1811, where he kept a tavern; d. June 11, 1861.

He m. Oct. 12, 1800, Desire Ward, of Orange, who d. Dec. 11, 1859, a. 80.

Ch.: Aaron, June 18, 1801 (8).
Nabby, June 7, 1803, m. Jan. 21, 1823, King Harris. (2), Chandler Field.
Thomas Chandler, Nov. 24, 1805; captain; a noted tavern keeper; d. at Bratt., Aug. 21, 1851.
Franklin, March 1, 1808 (9).
Infant, Feb. 25, 1811, d. same day.
Mary A., April 1, 1813, d. June 19, 1834.
Dau., b. and d. Sept. 9, 1814.
Charlotte, Nov. 2, 1816, d. Aug. 17, 1832.
Samuel S., Nov. 11, 1819, m. Lois C. Peabody.
Joseph, April 30, 1824, d. Oct. 22, 1826.

8. Aaron, s. of Thomas (7), b. 1801; tavern keeper at Nfd.; d. March 4, 1825.

He m. April 13, 1822, Lydia, dau. Adrastus Doolittle. She m. (2), Nov. 21, 1843, Otis Everett.

Ch.: Aaron G., June 20, 1824; sett. in Spfg.; m. Josephine Allen.
Sarah A., April 22, 1825, m. Nov. 17, 1846, Thomas Prentice Allen.

9. Franklin, s. of Thomas (7), b. 1808.

He m. March 15, 1829, Sarah S., dau. Harris Stratton.

Ch.: Joseph T., March 19, 1830, m. July 14, 1855, Anna Haley.
Sarah A., July 22, 1832, m. Oct. 5, 1854, John Botume.
Mary A., Oct. 2, 1834, m. Oct. 5, 1854, Lewis T. Webster.
Calista S., Oct. 19, 1836.
Sarah, S., Aug. 22, 1842, m. Sept. 26, 1862, A. Albee Ward, of Orange.

LOVELAND, Jonathan, 1773; Rev. sol.

1. LYMAN, Richard, b. in England, 1580; came to New England with Elliott, in the "Lion," 1631; freeman, 1633; rem. with Hooker and Stone, to Hart., at the time of the "great removal," in June, 1636, where he d. Aug., 1640.

He m. Sarah Osborne, who d. soon after her husband.

Ch.: William, who d. Aug., 1615.
Phillis, bapt. Sept. 12, 1611, m. William Hills.
Richard, bapt. July 18, 1613, d. young.
William, bapt. Sept. 8, 1616, d. Nov., 1616.
Richard, bapt. Feb. 24, 1617-8 (2).
Sarah, bapt. Feb. 8, 1620.
Anna, bapt., April 11, 1621, d. young.
John, Sept. 16, 1633 (3).
Robert, Sept., 1629 (4).

2. Richard, s. of Richard (1), b. 1618, in England; came with his father, 1631; sett. in Nhn.; d. June 3, 1662.

He m. Hepzibah, dau. Thomas Ford. She m. (2), Oct. 7, 1664, John Marsh, of Hadley.

Ch.: Hepzibah, b. at Windsor; m. Nov. 6, 1662, Josiah Dewey, of Hebron, Ct.
Sarah, m. Nov. 28, 1666, John Marsh, Jr.
Richard, 1647; grantee at Nfd., 1683; a first settler of Lebanon, Ct.; m. May 26, 1675, Elizabeth Coles. He d. before 1715.
Thomas, 1649, m. 1678, Ruth, wid. of Joseph Baker, dau. Wm. Holton.
Elizabeth, m. Aug. 22, 1672, Joshua Pomroy.
John, 1655 (5).
Joanna, June 7, 1658, d. Jan. 1, 1659, at Nhn.
Hannah, July 8, 1660, m. June 20, 1677, Job or Joseph Pomroy.
Moses, Feb. 20, 1662-3.

3. **John**, s of Richard (1), b. 1623; ens. at the Falls fight, May 19, 1676; of Branford, Ct., 1654; Nhn., 1658; petr. for Nfd., 1671; grantee, 1682; sett. in 1685; d. Aug. 20, 1690.

He m. Jan. 12, 1655, Dorcas, dau. John Plumb. She d. April 21, 1725.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Nov. 6, 1655.
Sarah, Nov. 11, 1658, m. Samuel Wright.
John, Aug. 20, 1660, m. April 19, 1687, Mindwell, wid. John Pomroy, dau. Isaac Sheldon.
Moses, Feb. 20, 1663; at Nfd., 1688; d. Feb. 28, 1701.
Dorothy, March 4, 1665, m. Nov. 2, 1691, Jabez Bracket, Wallingford, Ct.
Mary, Jan. 2, 1667, m. Samuel Dwight, of Northampton.
Experience, Jan. 4, 1668, d. March 16, 1669.
Joseph, Feb. 17, 1670, d. Feb. 18, 1691.
Benjamin, Aug. 10, 1674 (6).
Caleb, Sept. 2, 1678. He was leader of a scout of five friendly Indians, which, in 1704, returned from Cowass, after an absence of two weeks, with seven scalps of the enemy killed at that place; was deacon, and one of the 13 who organized the new North Church in Boston; d. s. p. at Western, Nov. 17, 1742.

4. **Robert**, s. of Richard (1), b. 1629; Nfd. petitioner, 1671, and there at the First Settlement, but had lived before in New Jersey, on the "Pesayak" river; in his later years, was in a "distracted condition," and the selectmen of Nhn. took charge of his affairs, while Robert spent his time in hunting and fishing. In 1690 he was found dead on a hill in Nhn., which has ever since borne the name of "*Robert's Hill.*"

He m. Nov. 5, 1662, Hepzibah, dau. Thomas Bascom. She d. Sept. 20, 1690.

Ch.: Sarah, Oct. 13, 1663, d. unm. in Nhn.
John, Dec. 5, 1664; grantee of Nfd., 1682, and sett., 1685.
Thomas, Dec. 23, 1666, d. young.
Thankful, Jan. 13, 1671, d. young.
Thankful, Oct. 10, 1672, m. Daniel Hall.
Hepzibah, Feb. 15, 1674, d. unm. in Nhn.
Preserved, April, 1676, m. John Ellison, of Newark, N. J.
Waitstill, April 14, 1678, d. May 17, 1697.
Experience, 1679, m. Henry Cook, of Wallingford, Ct.

5. **John**, s. of Richard (2), b. 1655; Nhn.; d. Oct. 13. 1727.

He m. Abigail ——, d. Nov. 24, 1714

Ch.: Abigail, March 12, 1696, d. April 15, 1796.
Abigail, Feb. 1, 1697, m. Dec. 22, 1720, Wm. Bartlett.
Nathan, Jan. 1, 1699, d. April 11, 1700.
James, 1700; captain; m. Ann —.
Abner, Feb. 1, 1701, m. Lydia —. (2), May 3, 1739, Sarah Miller.
Job, Dec. 1, 1702, d. Jan. 14, 1703.
Joshua, Feb. 27, 1704 (7).
Nathan, May 5, 1706; a first sett. of Southampton, 1733; m. Sarah Webb.

6. **Benjamin**, s. of John (3), b. 1674; Nhn.; was one of that scouting party, under Capt. Benjamin Wright, which had the fight with Indians on French river, May 20, 1709; d. Oct. 14, 1723.

He m. Oct. 27, 1698, Thankful, dau. Medad Pomroy. She m. (2), Nathaniel Lewis, of Farmington, Ct.

Ch.: Joseph, Aug. 22, 1699, m. Abigail Lewis, of Farmington, Ct. She d. 1766, a. 74. He d. March 30, 1763.
Benjamin, Dec. 19, 1702, d. in infancy.
Benjamin, Jan. 4, 1704; sett. in E. Hampton.
Aaron, April 1, 1705 (8).
Eunice, March 6, 1707, d. June 1, 1720.
Hannah, July 14, 1709, m. 1735, Nathl. Dwight, of Belchertown.
Caleb, Aug. 8, 1711, lived in Boston.
Susanna, July 18, 1713, m. — Baxter, of Boston.
William, Dec. 12, 1715; captain; served in French and Indian war; had command at Ft. Mass., 1748, and of Ft. Shirley, 1749
Daniel, April 18, 1718; grad. Y. C., 1745 Judge, in New Haven; d. 1788.
Hannah, July 14, 1719.
Elihu, July 10, 1720; grad. Y. C., 1745; officer in the French and Indian war; d. unm.
Medad, March 26, 1722; sett. in N. Haven, where he kept tavern; sol. in French and Indian war, 1748.

7. **Joshua**, s. of John (5), b. 1704; capt.; blacksmith; sol. at Ft. Dummer, 1730–43; Nfd., 1747, where held many important offices; was active in the French and Indian wars; a captain in Col. Israel Williams's reg., in the campaign of 1759; he d. Sept. 11, 1777.

He m. Oct. 1, 1729, Sarah Narman, of Sfd., who d. about 1737. (2), about 1738, Esther, who d. March 2, 1786, a. 72.

"The 2d wife of Joshua Lyman, the blacksmith, who lived next south of the old Field Fort, dreamed one night that she would be shot, unless she moved her chair from the corner where she was accustomed to sit, when spinning on the foot wheel. The next morning, after she was seated at her work, the dream came to her mind, and she got up and moved to the opposite corner of the fire place. Presently a bullet entered the house and passed directly where she had been sitting. It seems that her husband had placed an old gun barrel in the forge, which proved to be loaded, and the heat exploded the charge, with the result above named." [*Dea. Phin. Field.*]

Ch.: Simeon, Nov. 26, 1730 (9).
John, Dec. 27, 1732; sol. at Ft. Dummer; m. Martha Hannum; sett. in Southampton.
Joshua, March 10, 1734–5; Rev. sol., 1779–80, at New London and West Point.
Seth, Feb. 1, 1736–7 (10).
Mary, Sept. 22, 1738, d. Sept. 1, 1739.
Sarah, Jan. 15, 1741, m. — Sheldon, of Southampton.
Mary, Aug. 21, 1742, d. Nov. 5, 1749.
James, Jan. 20, 1747–8 (11).
Esther, June 12, 1752, m. Oct. 11, 1786, Reuben Frizzell, of Leyden.

8. **Aaron**, s. of Benjamin (6), b. 1705; deacon; the first permanent sett. of Cold Spring, where he kept tavern many years; d. June 12, 1780 or 88.

He m. Dec. 12, 1733, Eunice, dau. Rev. Josiah Dwight. She d. March 28, 1760. (2), June 11, 1772, Joanna, wid. of Samuel Holton, of Nfd. She d. Dec 18, 1796, a. 82.

Ch.: Susanna, Nov. 16, 1734, m. — Kent, of Sfd.
Josiah, March 9, 1736, the first white male b. in Belchertown; m. Sarah Winthrop.
Anna, July 28, 1737, m. Capt. — Granger, of Sfd.
Aaron, March 20, 1740; sett. in Charlemont; d. Feb. 23, 1758.
Elihu, Dec. 25, 1741 (12).
Eunice, May 29, 1744, m. Dea. Jona. Arms, of Dfd.
Mary, Nov. 12, 1745, m. Oct. 24, 1771, Capt. Elisha Hunt.
Dorothy, June 17, 1747, d. Aug. 16, 1789.
Caleb, Aug. 7, 1750 (13).
Dolly, Oct. 4, 1756, d. Sept. 14, 1787.

9. **Simeon**, s. of Joshua (7), b. 1730; sergeant, Rev. army; d. May 19, 1809.

He m. Sarah, dau. Joseph Field, of Sund. She d. Nov. 28, 1797, a. 62. (2), June 16, 1801, Molly (Smith), wid. of Hezekiah Stratton. She d. Dec. 24, 1824, a. 91.

Ch.: Mary, May 29, 1756, m. May 16, 1781, Solomon Holton.
Persis, Oct. 7, 1758, m. Nov. 27, 1782, Joseph Smead, Montague.
Joshua, Oct. 12, 1760, m. Cath. Hammond. (2), Sally Holton; sett. in Winch; Rev. sol., 1780.
Joseph, Jan. 23, 1763 (14).
Simeon, Dec. 8, 1764; blacksmith; m. 1792, Diadama Allen; rem. to Walpole, N. H.
Submit, July 11, 1767, m., 1804, Col. Geo. Dennison, of Hartland, Vt.
Sarah, Sept. 13, 1769, m. James Strobridge, of Trumansburg, N. Y.
Timothy, Sept. 22, 1771, m. April 1, 1804, Ruby Beach; sett. in Walpole, N. H.
Elisha, Aug. 13, 1772, d. young.
Penelope, July 26, 1774, m. Jan. 26, 1806, Lt. Hezekiah Mattoon.
Elisha, Aug. 13, 1778 (15).

10. Seth, s. of Joshua (7), b. 1737; captain; blacksmith; was at the surrender of Burgoyne. He owned the first wheel carriage, and the first clock, in town. [*Dea. Phin. Field.*]

He m. Oct. 23, 1760, Eunice Graves, of Sunderland, who d. Oct. 1, 1801, a. 60. (2), Feb. 3, 1808, wid. Experience (Bardwell) Howland.

Ch.: Tertius, Nov. 2, 1761, m. Eunice Houghton; sett. in Winch.; Rev. sol., 1780–81.
Phineas, Nov. 13, 1763, m. Hannah Houghton. (2), Sally Morse; sett. in Winch.
Lucy, Feb. 16, 1766, m. June 3, 1819, Israel Russell, and d. Dec. 26, 1852.
Eunice, April 17, 1770, m. March 4, 1790, Dea. Phineas Field.
Seth, Sept. 8, 1772, m. Oct. 23, 1794, Elizabeth Page; sett. in Leyden.
Samuel, March 28, 1775 (16).
Naomi, Aug. 17, 1777, m. Nov. 8, 1801, Ebenezer Bancroft.
Aaron G., Dec. 2, 1780 (17).
Molly, June 2, 1783, m. 1815, George Alexander, of Bernardston.

11. James, s. of Joshua (7), b. 1748; colonel; a corporal, in service at the surrender of Burgoyne, 1777; d. Jan. 25, 1804.

He m. March 2, 1768, Mary Crouch Nash, who d. March 23, 1777, a. 29. (2), 1781, Abigail Wright, who d. Aug. 12, 1829, a. 71.

Ch.: Luther, Jan. 15, 1769; a clothier; sett. at Sand Lake, N. Y. after 1798; m. Siviath —.
Princis, June 22, 1771, m. — Root.
Aretas, Feb. 4, 1773; rem. to Sand Lake.
James, Feb. 28, 1775; sett. in Thomason, Maine, after 1798.
Gad, Feb. 17, 1782, d. Aug. 16, 1805, while a law student with John Barret.
Polly, Dec. 5, 1783, d. unm. Aug. 17, 1848.
Robert, March 20, 1785, d. Sept. 29, 1795.
Richard, July 14, 1786 (18).
Tommy, } Dec. 18, } (19).
Harry, } 1787, } (20).
Rodolphus, April 19, 1790 (21).
Abigail, July 19, 1797, m. June 13, 1823, Daniel Clark, and d. July 3, 1824.

12. Elihu, s. of Aaron (8), b. 1741; major; Nfd., 1767–90; was a cap. under Arnold, in the expedition through the wilderness of Maine, for the invasion of Canada, Sept., 1775; was in the army, 1779 and 80, and prob. later; d. at Greenfield, Sept. 12, 1823.

He m. 1770, Esther King, of Wfd., who d. Aug. 20, 1774, a. 28. (2), Nov. 27, 1781, Sarah, dau. of Joseph Stebbins, of Dfd.

Ch.: Sally, Sept. 12, 1771, m. 1816, Eph. Wells, of Greenfield.
Esther, bapt. June 12, 1774, d. Aug. 15, 1774.
Elihu, Sept. 25, 1782, m. wid. Mary Upham, dau. Robert Field; grad. D. C., 1803; practiced law in Gfd. and Greenwich; high sheriff Franklin co.; state senator; d. while the leg. was in session, Feb. 11, 1826.
Joseph S., Feb. 14, 1785; D. C., 1805; lawyer, at Cooperstown, N. Y.; M. C., 1819–21; d. March 21, 1821.
Henry, June 30, 1787, d. unm. March 13, 1811.
Theodore D., 1790; colonel; m. 1819, Rebecca B. Bill, Hart. (2), Julia D., dau. Jona. Dwight, of Belchertown.

13. Caleb, s. of Aaron (8), b. 1750; hatter; his shop stood upon the Parson Doolittle home lot; dep. sheriff nearly 40 years; d. Aug. 18, 1822.

He m. Oct. 25, 1774, Catherine Swan, sis. of Timothy. She d. Aug. 22, 1809, a. 53. (2), April 4, 1816, Tirza, dau. Abner Field, of Nhn. She m. (2), —— Huntington, of Sudbury.

Ch.: William Swan, Sept. 5, 1775 (22).
Charles, May 4, 1778; portrait painter; d. unm. April 1, 1814.
Josiah D., Feb. 27, 1780 (23).
Francis D., Oct. 6, 1782, d. Dec. 27, 1784.
Francis, Feb. 15, 1785.

Caleb, Oct. 14, 1787, d. unm. in So. Carolina, Aug. 26, 1823.
Daniel, May 23, 1790.
Myra, Feb. 28, 1793, m. Dec. 16, 1816, Josiah Alexander.
Catherine S., March 19, 1797.
Edwin, July 30, 1800; printer; d. N. Orleans, Jan. 29, 1841.

14. **Joseph**, s. of Simeon (9), b. 1763, d. Dec. 21, 1832.

He m. Dec. 16, 1809, Elizabeth Liscomb, who d. Oct. 25, 1855, a. 75.

Ch.: Joseph, Nov. 9, 1810, m. Rebecca Page.
Simeon, May 1, 1812, m. Julia F. Harris.
Robert, Feb. 14, 1814; cabinet maker; m. Sarah Miner; rem. south.
Charles, Feb. 10, 1816; went to California.
John, Dec. 1, 1819, d. April 7, 1860.
Elizabeth, Oct. 18, 1822, m. Jan. 30, 1853, Marshall Lee, of Ver.
Margaret, Dec. 26, 1824, d. May 11, 1867.

15. **Elisha**, s. of Simeon (9), b. 1779; captain; d. Dec. 28, 1858.

He m. May 30, 1805, Margaret Liscomb, who d. Oct. 6, 1811. (2), April 9, 1812, Rachel Ames.

Ch.: Adeline, Feb. 18, 1806, d. Feb. 24, 1806.
Frances M., May 7, 1807, m. Aug. 31, 1831, Henry McLallen.
Amanda A., Sept. 12, 1809, m. Feb. 28, 1849, Walter Field.

16. **Samuel**, s. of Seth (10), b. 1775, d. Nov. 6, 1823.

He m. Sarah Smith, dau. Capt. Elisha. She m. (2), Samuel Smith, of Granby.

Ch.: Warren, Aug. 23, 1805; went to Texas.
Samuel J., Sept. 27, 1807, m. Sarah L. Gray.
Arad, May 12, 1810; in business in Columbus, Ga.; d. in New York City.

17. **Aaron G.**, s. of Seth (10), b. 1780, d. April 15, 1841.

He m. Jan. 14, 1806, Cynthia, dau. Israel Lyman, of Had. She d. Dec. 3, 1839.

Ch.: Aaron G., May 27, 1808.
Seth H., Dec. 21, 1810, d. Sept. 14, 1822.
George B., Oct. 11, 1811, d. Sept. 9, 1822.
Mary A., Jan. 3, 1814, m. William Stebbins, and d. Aug. 5, 1865.
Cynthia, Jan. 26, 1816, d. July 27, 1830.
Israel, June 5, 1818, m. Sophronia W., dau. Calvin Lyman; lives on old homestead.
Elijah W., Aug. 20, 1820, d. Sept. 12, 1822.
Elijah S. G., May 7, 1824, m. Louisa C., dau. Calvin Lyman. (2), Laduska Rugg.

18. **Richard**, s. of Col. James (11), b. 1786, d. Oct. 7, 1863.

He m. Oct. 10, 1813, Abigail, dau. Jona. Janes.

Ch.: James, Jan. 14, 1814, m. Mary Stratton. (2), Sarah Bacon.
Jona, Dec. 26, 1815; rep. 1854; m. Mch. 25, 1838, Harriet W. Woodward, who d. July 20, 1846. (2), Charlotte Holton, who d. Oct. 16, 1865, a. 55.
Mary, Nov. 5, 1817, m. Sept. 11, 1844, James Brazier, Groton, and Benton, Ala.
Gad C., Dec. 5, 1819, m. Fanny Wright. (2), Rosina Mack.
William March 26, 1822, m. Eliza M. Wilson, of Ala.
Aaron L., Nov. 5, 1826; teacher and merchant; sett. in Ala.; d. Oct. 18, 1848.
Albert R., Oct. 15, 1828, m. Fanny Brooks, of Brattleboro.
Edwin, Nov. 15, 1832, m. Rhoda M. Bridge.
Warren F., April 22, 1833; teacher and trader; sett. in Ala.; m. Jenny E. Stone.

19. **Thomas**, s. of Col. James (11), b. 1787; captain militia; hatter; of Keene, N. H., 1810; Nfd., 1812; rem. to Ver., 1844, and Gfd., 1862.

He m. May 19, 1829, Zama Johnson, of Ver., who d. Jan. 17, 1862, a. 62.

Ch.: Thomas H., Feb. 14, 1830, m. Nancy W. Morgan; d. s. p. July 4, 1860.
Martha E., Oct. 17, 1831, m. Nov. 24, 1853, William S. Severance, M. D., of Greenfield.
Theodore E., Aug. 16, 1833, d. same day.
Charles A., June 30, 1838, d. unm. June 21, 1861.
William D., Oct. 30, 1840, d. unm. March 10, 1860.

20. **Henry**, s. of James (11), b. 1787; rem. to Hartland, Wis.; d. June 24, 1854.

He m. March 11, 1813, Lucy, dau. Abner Field.

Ch.: Senah, Jan. 8, 1814, m. Albert Field.
Henry, Aug. 19, 1816, m. — Morgan.
George, Jan. 24, 1819, m.
Lucy, March 16, 1821, m.
Marilla, Oct. 30, 1822, m.
Mary A., Nov. 22, 1824, d. unm.
John F., Nov. 2, 1826, m.
Abner F., March 8, 1829.
Waldo F., July 1, 1831.
Juliette, March 16, 1833, m.

21. **Rodolphus**, s. of James (11), b. 1790; lived in Somerset, Vt., Dover, Stratton, Sunderland and Bennington; d. Sept. 18, 1866.

He m. April 24, 1811, Bethia Robbins, b. Aug. 17, 1791.

Ch.: Eldridge, Nov. 1, 1811, m. Elvira Simmonds; rem. to Stratton, Vt.
Maria, Feb. 10, 1813, d. Feb. 19, 1821.
Rufus, Sept. 3, 1815; sett. in Stratton, Vt.
Fanny W., May 19, 1817, m. Edwin M. Pratt, Manchester, Vt.
Robert T., May 6, 1819.
Rodolphus, April 23, 1821.
Lucia A., } March 31, } m. Oscar J. Northrop, Bennington.
Lucius, } 1823. } m. Oct. 15, 1855, Laura Fills; sett. in W. Wardsboro, Vt.
Bethia, May 14, 1825, m. Merritt Hawkins, Sunderland, Vt.
Ann M., April 16, 1827, m. Milton Stevens, Shushan, N. Y.
Elisha, March 26, 1829, m. Henrietta Ingram.
Eliza J., March 26, 1833, m. Wm. Furgerson, Rutland, Vt.

22. **William Swan**, s. of Caleb (13), b. 1775; hatter; rem. to Amherst, but ret. to Nfd., where he d. Feb. 26, 1801.

He m. 1799, Fanny, dau. Dr. Medad Pomroy. She m. (2), Nov. 3, 1805, Theodore Hinsdale, of Pittsfield, and d. Aug. 13, 1813.

Ch.: William Swan, June 29, 1800, d. in N. O., La., 1840.

23. **Josiah D.**, s. of Caleb (13), b. 1780; col. state artillery; d. Jan. 5, 1869.

He m. Feb. 1, 1808, Elizabeth, dau. Jabez Whiting. She d. Feb. 24, 1868, a. 83.

Ch.: William S., Feb. 27, 1805.
Caleb, Feb. 11, 1807; hatter; d. unm. Mch. 8, 1855.
Elizabeth, May 9, 1809, m. Aug. 30, 1824, Cullen Sawtelle, M. C. from Maine.
Josiah D., July 16, 1811, d. Sept. 24, 1857.
Catherine F., m. May 20, 1851, Dr. Cyrus L. Hunter.
Augustus, Sept. 26, 1818.
Jabez W., Feb. 17, 1821, m. Nov. 17, 1843, Mary A. Parker, of Boston; merchant, New York city; d. Nov. 19, 1862.
Ann W., Oct. 12, 1823, m. April 28, 1846, Col. Francis J. Parker, Boston.

MACK, **Elisha**, 1765–6.

MACOMBER, wid. **Betsey**, 1800.

MACOMBER, **William**, 1799.

MAKEPEACE, **Jonas**, 1804.

MALLORY, Moses.
He m. Elizabeth. She m. (2), Joab Fairman, and d. July 11, 1832.

Ch.: Hannah M., Jan. 28, 1817.
Eliza A., April 23, 1825.

1. MALLORY, Simeon; from New Haven, Ct., 1786; Rev. sol.
He m. Sarah, dau. Moses Dickinson.

Ch.: Simeon, 1788 (2).
Moses.
Prob. Sophia, who m. Feb. 6, 1820, Henry Tiffany.

2. Simeon, s. of Simeon (1), b. 1788; sol. 1812; d. April 26, 1861.
He m. Tilda Tiffany, who d. Sept. 6, 1851, a. 49.

Ch.: Catherine, Oct. 26, 1816.
Obadiah, May 9, 1819.
John F., Feb. 20, 1821.
Martha A., Feb. 27, 1823.
Isaiah T., Aug. 5, 1825.
Horace L., Oct. 5, 1827.
Hollis A., Dec. 13, 1830.
Isabella E., Aug. 22, 1833; m. H. S. Williams.
Lemuel E., Oct. 25, 1835, d. in the army, May 18, 1864; ord. sergt. co. E. 31st Mass. vols.
Harriet A., Sept. 1, 1840.

MALTBY, William, 1801.

MARBLE, Marcus; doctor; 1780–1.

MARSH, Amos, 1788.

1. MASON, Robert; of Roxbury, 1637; at Dedham, before Dec. 12, 1642, where he d. Oct. 15, 1667. His wife d. in Roxbury, April, 1637.

Ch.: John, m. May 5, 1651, Mary Eaton, prob. dau. John.
Robert, a first sett. of Medfield; m. Abigail Eaton.
Thomas (2).

2. Thomas, s. of Robert (1); one of the original settlers of Medfield, 1651; he was killed when the town was burned by the Indians, Feb. 21, 1676.
He m. April 23, 1653, Margary Partridge.

Ch.: John, Nov. 3, 1654, killed by Indians, Feb. 21, 1676.
Mary, Feb. 5, 1657.
Thomas, July 2, 1660, killed with father.
Zachery, Dec. 29, 1662, killed with father.
Mehitable, Jan. 29, 1665.
Ebenezer, Sept. 12, 1669 (3).

3. Ebenezer, s. of Thomas (2), b. 1669; d. March 18, 1754.
He m. April 25, 1691, Hannah Clark.

Ch.: Hannah, May 31, 1692.
Mehitable, Nov. 20, 1693.
Dorcas, Aug. 12, 1695.
Tabitha, July 3, 1697.
Thomas, April 23, 1699 (4).
Ebenezer, April 6, 1701.
Zachery, and Mary, Jan. 7, 1702.
Margary, Jan. 5, 1704.
Eliphalet, Aug. 30, 1706.
Joseph, June 1, 1711.

4. Thomas, s. of Ebenezer (3), b. 1699; Medfield; d. Dec. 26, 1789.
He m. Mary Sady.

Ch.: Barachias, June 10, 1723.
Olive, July 9, 1724.
Lois, June 22, 1726.
Thomas, Aug. 4, 1728, d. young.
Joseph, Nov. 4, 1729.
Sady, Nov. 1, 1730.
Thomas, June 14, 1733 (5).
Caroline, Jan. 25, 1735.
Silas, June 17, 1740.
Catherine, July 25, 1743.

5. **Thomas**, s. of Thomas (4), b. 1733; rem. from Medfield to Princeton, where he d. Nov. 28, 1814.

He m. Aug. 31, 1763, Mary, dau. of John Baxter. She d. April 3, 1826.

Ch.: William, Nov. 19, 1764, d. March 24, 1847.
Sarah, May 23, 1767, d. May 11, 1845.
Thomas, May 28, 1769 (6).
Mary, Oct. 16, 1771, d. Feb. 7, 1852.
Elizabeth, March 17, 1774, d. May 8, 1853.
Horatio, July 30, 1776.
Joseph, July 6, 1778.
John, Dec. 17, 17—, d. April 6, 1795.

6. **Thomas**, s. of Thomas (5), b. at Princeton, 1769; grad. H. C., 1796; ordained minister at Nfd., Nov. 6, 1799; dis. March 28, 1830; rep. 8 years; d. Jan. 3, 1851. [*See ante*, p. 349.]

He m. Dec. 11, 1800, Lydia Kendall, of Sterling, who d. Aug. 23, 1803, a. 26. (2), Jan. 24, 1804, Sophia Barnard, of Sterling, who d. April 29, 1842, a. 66.

Ch.: Mary, Jan. 22, 1802, d. Nov. 12, 1806.
Thomas, Aug. 21, 1803, d. the next day.
Lydia K., Dec. 7, 1804, m. June 6, 1832, David W. Allen.
Mary, May 28, 1807.
Thomas, March 22, 1809, d. in infancy.
Thomas, Feb. 11, 1811, m. Ellen Holton.
Joseph, March 16, 1813 (7).
George, Aug. 6, 1815, m. Jerusha, dau. Henry Alexander; he d. April 26, 1869.
Elizabeth, Feb. 12, 1819.

7. **Joseph**, s. of Thomas (6), b. 1813; lawyer; studied at the Cambridge Law School, and in the office of Hon. S. C. Allen, and Gov. Emery Washburn; practiced in Westborough, Templeton, and Worcester; clerk of the courts for Worcester co. since 1852.

He m. Nov. 10, 1846, Sarah R., dau. of Hon. Leonard M. Parker.

Ch.: Joseph, Sept. 15, 1848.

1. MATTOON, **Philip**; under Capt. Turner in the Falls fight, May 19, 1676; of Spfd., 1679; Dfd., 1686, where he d. Dec. 30, 1696.

He m. Sept. 10, 1677, Sarah, dau. John Hawks, of Hadley. She m. (2), Daniel Belding, of Dfd., whose first wife was killed by Indians, 1696, and his second in 1704. She survived him 19 years, dying Sept. 15, 1751, aged 94, 75 years after her first marriage.

Ch.: Margaret, Nov. 4, 1678.
Philip, April 4, 1680 (2).
John, Oct. 12, 1682, m. Oct. 20, 1706, Jerusha, dau. David Hall, of Wallingford, Ct., where he was living 1737, when he drew his father's share in Falltown.
Isaac, Dec. 10, 1684 (3).
Sarah, April 25, 1687, cap. when Dfd. was sacked, 1704; m. 1711, Zecheriah Field.
Eleazer, March 10, 1689 (4).
Gershom, Dec. 25, 1690; sett. in Lebanon, Ct.
Nathaniel, Aug. 29, 1693 (5).
Ebenezer, Jan. 30, 1694–5, d. April 30, 1716.
Mary, July 25, 1697, m. John Miller, 2d, of Spfd.; pub. Sept. 5, 1713.

2. **Philip**, s. of Philip (1), b. 1680; Deerfield.

He m. Jan. 15, 1703, Rebecca, dau. Godfrey Nims. In the attack on Dfd., Feb. 29, 1704, Philip, his wife, and their infant, were all killed.

3. **Isaac**, s. of Philip (1), b. 1685; rem. to Nfd. about 1721; Feb. 17, 1730–31, Nfd. granted him "6 acres, in consideration of his difficulties in coming first to settle here;" d. May 21, 1767.

He m. Mary, dau. Col. Samuel Partridge, of Hfd., gr. dau. Rev. Seaborn Cotton. She d. Jan. 31, 1790, a. 91.

Ch.: Mariah, Jan. 19, 1729–30, d. young.
Samuel, Jan. 15, 1730–1 (6).
Mariah, March 1, 1732–3, m. April 30, 1761, ~~David~~ Graves, of Sund.
Elizabeth, Feb. 26, 1733–4, d. March 30, 1738.
Mehitable, Aug. 15, 1737, m. Sept. 25, 1775, Elisha Wells, of Greenfield.

4. Eleazer, s. of Philip (1), b. 1689; deacon; Nfd., about 1717; sol. 1724; rem. to East Hadley about 1738; d. Feb., 1767.

He m. July 20, 1715, Elizabeth, dau. Samuel Boltwood.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Nov. 1, 1718, m. Joseph Day, of West Springfield.
Ebenezer, Dec. 21, 1720 (7).
Sarah, Feb. 21, 1723, m. March 27, 1746, Ephraim Marsh, of Montague.

5. Nathaniel, s. of Philip (1), b. 1693; ensign; Nfd. at the permanent sett.; sol. under Capt. Kellogg, 1724–5; d. Jan. 18, 1770.

He m. 1727, Hannah, dau. Isaac Hubbard. She d. April 16, 1797, a. 95.

Ch.: Philip, Feb. 19, 1728–9 (8).
Hannah, June 5, 1731, m. July 11, 1771, Samuel Barnard, of Deerfield.
Mary, Nov. 2, 1733, m. May 31, 1753, Ebenezer Billings, of Sunderland.
Lucy, Nov. 26, 1737, m. Oct. 30, 1766, Elihu Root, of Montague.
Elijah, Aug. 26, 1740 (9).
Anna, April 20, 1744, m. April 11, 1765, Shammah Pomroy.

6. Samuel, s. of Isaac (3), b. 1731; doctor; town treasurer; d. March 13, 1807.

He m. Sept. 8, 1756, Abigail, dau. Dea. Thomas Bardwell, of Dfd. She d. July 16, 1816.

Ch.: Caroline, Dec. 6, 1757, m. Dec. 18, 1777, Jonathan Janes.
Elizabeth, Feb. 15, 1760, m. May 14, 1776, Samuel Field.
Mary, Feb. 9, 1762, m. Dec. 17, 1776, Abner Field.
Isaac, April 10, 1765 (10).
Samuel, June 27, 1767 (11).
Abigail, Sept. 2, 1769, m. Nov. 26, 1789, Zecheriah Field.
Cynthia, Oct. 27, 1771, d. unm. Sept. 9, 1859.
Elihu, Nov. 26, 1773, d. April 1, 1774.
Rhoda, Sept. 15, 1775, d. Oct. 3, 1776.
Mabel, Oct. 13, 1777, m. Dec. 4, 1811, Caleb Cook.
Hannah, Dec. 23, 1779, m. Nov. 21, 1807, Elijah Mattoon.
Rhoda, March 15, 1783, d. June 29, [*Ch. rec.*,] May 31, [*gr. stone*,] 1859.
Elihu, March 3, 1785 (12).

7. Ebenezer, s. of Eleazer (4), b. 1720; sett. in Amherst; d. April 27, 1806.

He m. April, 1747, Dorothy, dau. Dea. Nathaniel Smith, of Amh. She d. June 3, 1756, a. 27. (2), 1759, Sarah, dau. John Alvord, of Nhn., who d. Feb. 27, 1803, a. 76.

Ch.: Dorothy, bapt. April 16, 1749, m. Stephen Smith, of Amherst.
Elizabeth, bapt. July 21, 1751, m. Oliver Clapp, of Amherst.
Ebenezer, bapt. Aug. 24, 1755 (13).
Sarah, 1761 d. April 11, 1803.
Eleazer, bapt. Aug. 19, 1764, d. unm.
Roxana, Aug. 31, 1766, m. 1785, John Kellogg, of Amherst.
Lovisa, about 1770, m. Eli Dickinson, of Amherst.

8. Philip, s. of Nathaniel (5), b. 1729; sol., 1756; currier, 1757; d. Sept. 18, 1810.

He m. Jan. 28, 1762, Hannah, dau. Hezekiah Stratton. She d. Dec. 18, 1800, a. 69.

Ch.: Nathaniel, Feb. 8, 1763, m. March 8, 1791, Almena Field; rem. to Vershire, Vt.
Charlotte, April 18, 1765, m. Nov. 8, 1786, Asaph Corse.
John, Jan. 18, 1767.
Elisha, March 31, 1769.
Philip, Nov. 14, 1771, m. March 20, 1796, Susanna Field.
Hannah, bapt. Nov. 1, 1772, d. Jan. 21, 1775.
Hezekiah, Oct. 15, 1774 (14).
Charley, bapt. Oct. 18, 1791; a grand son, adopted as a son.

9. **ELIJAH**, s. of Nathaniel (5), b. 1740, d. Nov. 12, 1823.

He m. Sept. 23, 1767, Catherine dau. Seth Field. She d. Aug. 8, 1835, a. 88.

Ch.: Sarah, Sept. 29, 1768, m. Dec. 1, 1803, Samuel Hedge, of Windsor, Vt.
Lucy, Nov. 10, 1770, d. Oct. 18, 1793.
Susanna, May 6, 1773, d. unm. May 29, 1859.
Katy, Dec. 18, 1776, m. Sept. 27, 1801, Samuel Hedge, of Windsor.
Elijah, Aug. 29, 1782 (15).

10. **ISAAC**, s. of Samuel (6), b. 1765, d. Aug. 11, 1856.

He m. Nov. 26, 1789, Martha, dau. Oliver Smith. She d. Oct. 5, 1847, a. 76.

Ch.: John, Jan. 23, 1791, d. Dec. 15, 1795.
James, Feb. 14, 1793 (16).
Sarah M., April 8, 1795, d. Dec. 24, 1795.
John, Dec. 29, 1796 (17).
Sarah M., March 18, 1799, m. June 3, 1819, Robert G. Cook.
Oliver S., Aug. 4, 1801 (18).

11. **SAMUEL**, s. of Samuel (6), b. 1767, d. Nov. 24, 1848.

He m. Jan. 9, 1787, Mary, dau. Capt. Samuel Merriman. She d. Sept. 2, 1787, a. 23. (2), 1790, Ruth Wright, of Ver., who d. Jan. 14, 1839, a. 71.

Ch.: Samuel, Feb. 26, 1787, d. July 30, 1804.
Mary, Dec. 12, 1790, d. Jan. 31, 1811.
Electa, July 24, 1792, d. Dec. 12, 1795.
Harriet, April 17, 1794, m. Alanson Roberts, of Gill.
Electa, March 20, 1796, m. Dec. 21, 1820, Charles F. Field.
Obadiah, May 6, 1798 (19).
Fanny, Dec. 5, 1800, m. July 4, 1822, Elias Holton.
Richard, March 12, 1802; sett. in New York.
Samuel, Jan. 21, 1806, m. — Vaughn. (2), Harriet, dau. Jacob Moody, wid. of Henry Brown.
Ruth E., Dec. 20, 1808, m. March 8, 1829, Elijah Bent, of Winch. (2), March, 1849, John B. Willard.
Warren W., May 30, 1810, m. Augusta Proctor, of Lowell. (2), April 15, 1845, Emeline, dau. Horace Wright.

12. **ELIHU**, s. of Samuel (6), b. 1785, d. Dec. 7, 1859.

He m. June 9, 1811, Rebecca, dau. Jabez Whitney. She d. Aug. 8, 1870, a. 87.

Ch.: Maria, Dec. 13, 1811, m. Prof. —— Kellogg.
Martha, Dec. 31, 1813, m. abt. 1835, Dr. James Henry.
George, Nov. 3, 1816, d. unm. in California.
Elihu, Sept. 26, 1822; res. in California.

13. **EBENEZER**, s. of Ebenezer (7), b. 1755; Amherst; grad. D. C., 1776; rep. and senator, in Mass. leg.; M. C., 1801–3; sheriff, Hampshire co., 20 years; lieut. in Rev. army, at the bat. of Bemis Heights, Oct. 7, 1777; left the army with rank of major; adj. gen. of Mass., 1816; major gen. Mass. militia, 19 years; captain Anct. and Hon. Art. Co., 1817; d. Sept. 11, 1843.

He m. July 7, 1779, Mary, dau. Noah Dickinson. She d. July 30, 1835, a. 77.

Ch.: Mary D., April 4, 1780, m. Dec. 24, 1807, Daniel Dwight, of Westmoreland, Vt.
Ebenezer, Sept. 29, 1781, m. Dec. 30, 1804, Lucina Mayo, of Orange.
Noah D., Sept. 29, 1783; grad. D. C., 1803; m. — Billings.
Dorothy S., June 25, 1785, m. April 20, 1815, Dr. Timothy J. Gridley, of Amh.
Fanny, Sept., 1787, d. Jan. 28, 1790.
Fanny, June, 1790, d. Sept. 4, 1792.

14. HEZEKIAH, s. of Philip (8,) b. 1774; lieutenant; d. June 3, 1829.
He m. Jan. 26, 1806, Penelope, dau. Simeon Lyman. She d. Aug. 13, 1849, a. 75.

Ch.: Mary, Jan. 27, 1807, m. — Mudge, of Winch. (2), 1838, Samuel Ford, of Troy, N. Y. (3), Nov. 1, 1870, Rev. William Aushor?
Hezekiah, Dec. 22, 1808, m. 1833, Mary A. Maynard, who d. Aug. 21, 1842, a. 32.
Luciaann, Nov. 20, 1810, d. Oct. 25, 1832.
Julia M., Dec. 14, 1812, d. Nov. 8, 1856.
Sarah E., June 11, 1815, m. John Read.
John L., April 18, 1817.

15. ELIJAH, s. of Elijah (9), b. 1782; Col.; d. Dec. 29, 1853.
He m. Nov. 21, 1807, Hannah, dau. Dr. Samuel Mattoon. She d. Sept. 11, 1846, a. 66.

Ch.: Sarah K., Aug. 21, 1808.
Lucy A., Sept. 4, 1810, d. Oct. 29, 1826.
Frederick L., May 22, 1814, d. April 10, 1846.
Charles, June 17, 1816; judge of probate, Franklin co.; sett. in Gfd.; m. Lucia A. Humphreys; he d. 1870.
Elijah, Oct. 22, 1819.
Hannah, Feb. 25, 1822, m. Feb. 28, 1850, Thomas J. Field.
Lucy A., Aug. 28, 1825, d. July 24, 1831.

16. JAMES, s. of Isaac (10), b. 1793; rem. to Lancaster; d. Jan. 12, 1874.
He m. Mary P., dau. Capt. Elisha Field.

Ch.: James H., Aug. 15, 1828, m. Mary A., dau. Medad Alexander.
Frances A. M., July, 1830.
Mary P., May 16, 1832, d. young.
George P., 1834, d. March 21, 1840.

17. JOHN, s. of Isaac (10), b. 1776.
He m. Catherine, dau. Thomas Bardwell, of Dfd. She d. Aug. 26, 1870, a. 70.

Ch.: James O., Dec. 18, 1821, d. in Cal.
John, Sept. 18, 1823, m. Mary Bennet.
Thomas B., Jan. 21, 1825, m. Susan —.
Joseph C., Nov. 26, 1829, m. Julia Boyd.
Isaac, m. Eliza Graves, of Walpole, N. H.
Ann P., 1837, d. June 2, 1841.
Infant dau., d. May 18, 1841.

18. OLIVER, s. of Isaac (10), b. 1801.
He m. Dec. 16, 1823, Charlotte, dau. Dr. Willard Arms, of Bratt. She d. Nov. 22, 1861, a. 57. (2), June 16, 1863, wid. Emily Andross, who d. Aug. 17, 1872. (3), Oct. 23, 1873, Selina E. Bingley, of Charleston, S. C.

Ch.: Charlotte, Oct. 26, 1824, d. Nov. 30, 1824.
Edwin A., Sept. 22, 1827, d. April 20, 1851.
Sarah A., May 8, 1829, d. Dec. 11, 1845.
Isaac, May 15, 1832, d. June 2, 1832.
Elizabeth, Dec. 13, 1835, d. May 5, 1855.
Olive W., July 25, 1840, d. April 22, 1859
Helen, Jan. 11, 1846, d. Sept. 6, 1864.

19. Obadiah, s. of Samuel (11), b. 1798, d. Nov. 10, 1839.
He m. Marianne, dau. Gilbert Stacy. She d. Feb. 24, 1838, a. 31.

Ch.: Gilbert S., Dec. 27, 1831, m. Fanny, dau. Warren W. Mattoon.
Charles, Jan. 1, 1834, d. Jan. 9, 1836.
Mary E., m. Curtis Smith, of St. Cloud, Minn.

MAYNARD, Asa. He m. Chloe.

Ch.: Daniel, July 18, 1794.
Anne, April 10, 1796.
Martin, June 23, 1798.
Eunice, Aug. 24, 1800.
Seth, } Nov. 30,
Mary, } 1808.

McCARTY, CARTER, Dennis, 1781; a Burgoyne man.
He m. Feb. 27, 1810, Keziah Jennings.

McCOY, William, 1753.

MEAD, Marshal S., b. 1802; doctor; from Chesterfield, N. H.; rep., 1853.
He m. 1832, Frances L., dau. Dr. Charles Blake.

Ch.: Hope Richards, Sept. 19, 1835, m. Nov. 6, 1854, Larkin G. Mead.
Ellen H., Dec. 18, 1838, m. June 18, 1862, Wm. H. Sherwin.
Grace G., Oct. 18, 1842, m. June 8, 1864, Capt. M. R. Lawrence. She d. Sept. 18, 1873.

MERCHANT, Joseph; from Had.; sol. under Capt. Kellogg, 1723.
He m. Sarah ——.

Ch.: Joseph, May 18, 1727; sol. from Mont., 1757; in the Crown Point expedition, under Capt. John Burk, 1759.
Anna, Jan. 16, 1729.

MERRICK, Caroline, d. Jan. 6, 1856, a. 72.

MERRICK, Joseph, 1781–6.

MERRICK, Stephen, d. Nov. 22, 1867, a. 82.

1. MERRIMAN, Nathaniel; captain; an original sett. of Wallingford, Ct., 1670; from New Haven, where he lived as early as 1665; captain of troops, 1675; deputy, 1669 to 1685; d. Feb. 13, 1693, a. 80.

Ch.: John, d. Sept. 26, 1651.
Hannah, May 16, 1651.
Abigail, April 18, 1654.
Mamre, July 12, 1657, m. Samuel Munson.
John, Feb. 28, 1659, m. Hannah Lines. (2), Mary Doolittle.
Samuel, Sept. 29, 1662 (2).
Caleb, May, 1665, m. Mary Preston; dep., 1697.
Moses, 1667.
Elizabeth, Sept. 14, 1669, m. Dec., 1695, Ebenezer Lewis.

2. Samuel, s. of Nathaniel (1), b. 1662; d. before Oct. 10, 1695, when his wid. Anna was authorized to make deeds of land, which her husband had sold to Joseph Mallory, and Wm. Robberts.
He m. Anna ——.

Ch.: Nathaniel, May 22, 1687, d. young.
Nathaniel, March 16, 1690.
Theopolis, April 28, 1692 (3).
Samuel, Dec. 19, 1694, m. Sarah Wilcher.

3. Theopolis, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1692; from Wallingford, Ct., to Nfd., about 1718; was killed Aug. 21, 1723, when the Indians made an attack on Nfd.; Thomas Holton was killed at the same time. [*See ante*, p. 195.]

He m. May 9, 1714, Mary ——, who m. (2), Benjamin Miller. She d. Jan. 6, 1782, a. 84.

Ch.: Anna, Sept. 6, 1715, m. 1733, Ephraim Chamberlain, and (2), about 1750, Benjamin Rice, of Wallingford, and d. before 1785.
Theopolis, Aug. 20, 1717; deaf and dumb; d. Sept. 25, 1792.
Sarah, Aug. 11, 1719, d. Aug. 21, 1719.
Sarah, Dec. 5, 1720, m. abt. 1739, Thomas Taylor.
Samuel, Feb. 13, 1722–3 (4).

4. Samuel, s. of Theopolis (3), b. 1723; sett. in Dfd., but rem. to Nfd. about 1754; orderly sergt. in Capt. John Burk's co., at Crown Point, 1757, and promoted to ens.; in Col. Ruggles's reg. in the expedition to Crown Point, 1759; at the capture of Montreal, Sept. 8, 1760; captain in Rev. war; d. June 22, 1803.

He m. March 3, 1747, Mary, dau. Eleazer Hawks, of Dfd. She d. Aug. 24, 1757, a. 29. (2), Dec. 21, 1759, Lydia, dau. John Harwood, of Ware River, wid. of Asahel Stebbins, of No. 4, now Charlestown, N. H.

In an attack made upon Charlestown, Aug. 27, 1757, Asahel Stebbins was killed, and his wife taken prisoner, by the Indians, leaving four children, the oldest but 7 years of age. While on the march to Canada, Mrs. Stebbins became worn out by the hardships of the journey, and was unable to travel. As she had thus become an incumbrance to them, the savages determined to burn her. She was fastened to the stake, and witnessed the preparations for the horrid ceremony. Heart broken by her sorrows, exhausted by her sufferings, the captive had found her trials almost too great for endurance. She had no hope of ultimate release. In full faith that the portals of eternal rest were about to open for her, she smiled upon her tormentors. The Indians, considering this but an act of bravery, and defiance, were filled with admiration that knew no bounds. She was at once released from her bonds, and assisted and tenderly cared for the remainder of the journey. She was redeemed between September and December, 1758, and lived to good old age, dying Feb. 2, 1808, a. 76. A monument to her memory has recently been erected in the cemetery by some of her great grand children.

Ch.: Samuel, Sept. 11, 1749 (5).
Sarah, March 1, 1752, m. Nov. 18, 1772, Elisha Wright, of Mont.
Zilpha, bapt. Sept. 11, 1753, d. same day.
Levi, Nov. 27, 1760 (6).
Lydia, Aug. 28, 1762, m. May 18, 1785, Medad Alexander.
Mary, April 8, 1764, m. Jan. 9, 1787, Samuel Mattoon.
Elijah, Dec. 11, 1765 (7).
Susanna, April 13, 1768, m. Jan. 9, 1787, Samuel Janes, of Gill.
Son, Oct. 1, 1770, d. Oct. 4, 1770.
Silvanus, Feb. 28, 1773; sailor; killed by pirates, July 4, 1800.

5. Samuel, s. of Samuel (4), b. 1749; of Unadilla, N. Y., 1804.

He m. 1768, Eunice ——.

Ch.: Sarah, Nov. 16, 1769.
Theopolis, July 16, 1773.

6. Levi, s. of Samuel (4), b. 1760; sol. of '76; d. suddenly while at dinner, Aug. 3, 1829.

He m. Mercy Morgan, who d. July 10, 1839, a. 72.

Ch.: Polly, July 27, 1794, m. June 1, 1814, Charles Stratton.
Susanna, Feb. 23, 1796, m. June 23, 1819, Stephen Tilden.
Almira, June 19, 1799, m. Dec. 6, 1821, Ezekiel Wood.
Adeline, Dec. 4, 1801, m. Feb. 28, 1821, Lorenzo Stratton. (2), Simeon A. Field.
Emily, Aug. 6, 1804, m. Feb. 1, 1824, Lyman Gilbert.
Samuel, May 12, 1807 (8).

7. ELIJAH, s. of Samuel (4), b. 1765; d. March 30, 1834.

He m. Feb. 1, 1803, Rebecca, dau. Archibald Clendenen. She d. Oct. 14, 1839, a. 66.

Ch.: Rebecca, Jan. 8, 1804, m. Sept. 18, 1828, Fravel Stockbridge, of Had.
Elijah, Aug. 28, 1806 (9).
Lydia, June 10, 1809, m. Nathan Smith, of Gill and Greenfield.

8. SAMUEL, s. of Levi (6), b. 1807; d. Dec. 21, 1854.

He m. Nov. 12, 1837, Lois B., dau. George Field.

Ch.: Clesson, Nov. 28, 1838 (10).
Mary, Nov. 24, 1840, d. Feb. 23, 1844.
Crosby, May 25, 1844, d. Feb. 23, 1845.
Ella, Nov. 4, 1846, m. Sept. 17, 1867, J. Augustus Barber.
Russell, Oct. 22, 1851, d. July 31, 1853.
George, May 22, 1854, d. April 11, 1857.

9. ELIJAH, s. of Elijah (7), b. 1806. He m. Martha Perry.

Ch.: Charles D., May 13, 1813.
Maria J., Dec. 4, 1834.
Martha A., Oct. 2, 1836.
Stephen W., April 11, 1838, d. young.
Sarah E., Feb. 12, 1840.
Elijah E., June 29, 1841.
Stephen W., Sept. 22, 1842.
Harriet E., June 4, 1843.
Lauraette, Dec. 22, 1845.
William W., Sept. 21, 1847.
Mary A., Aug. 7, 1851.

10. CLESSON, s. of Samuel (8), b. 1838; occupies the old homestead.

He m. Helen M. Montague, who d. June 14, 1868.

Ch.: Arthur C., June 11, 1868.

MERRIAM, JAMES, 1790; cabinet maker.

He m. Nov., 1790, Lucy Wilder, who d. June 28, 1811, a. 38. (2), Nov. 11, 1813, Lydia Woodward.

Ch.: Artemas, Dec. 11, 1791.
Eunice, June 6, 1793.
Fanny, Dec. 22, 1794, d. Jan. 2, 1810.
Lucy, Feb. 17, 1797, d. same day.
Lucy, May 4, 1798, d. Jan. 28, 1818.
Eliza, April 6, 1800, m. Aug. 29, 1819, John G. Morse.
William, April 27, 1802.
Loving, May 29, 1804.
John, Feb. 23, 1806.
Emily, March 5, 1808, d. Oct. 13, 1810.
Eunice, Feb. 2, 1810, d. April 8, 1810.
James, April 9, 1814.
Emily, March 29, 1815.
Charles, June 19, 1816.
Asa W., Jan. 4, 1818, d. June 5, 1818.
Peter H., Sept. 13, 1819.
Lewis, March 4, 1821.
Clark, Oct. 30, 1822.
Samuel, Oct. 28, 1824.
Dwight, June 25, 1826.
Albert, June 18, 1828.
Elisha, June 23, 1831.

MERRY, CORNELIUS; from Ireland; had grant of land at Nhn., 1663; was in the Falls fight, 1676; an engager for Nfd., 1671; a sett. in 1673, and 1685; d. before 1716.

He m. Aug. 11, 1663, Rachael Ball.

Ch.: John, May 17, 1664, d. Jan. 5, 1665.
John, Nov. 9, 1665, of Long Island, 1737.
Sarah, Jan. 15, 1668.
Rachael, Aug. 30, 1670, m. Dec., 1702, John Baker; prob. a 2d wife.
Cornelius; sett. in Hart.; m. Bethia, per. Baker; had 9 ch.; 1702–18.
Leah, Aug., 1681.
Hannah, Dec. 2, 1684.

MESHEK, an African slave, owned by Dea. Paul Field.

MILLER, BENJAMIN; Spfd.; sol. under Kellogg, 1724; Nfd., 1728; d. Sept. 23, 1770, a. 75.

He m. Mary, wid. of Theopolis Merriman. She d. June 6, 1782, a. 84.

Ch.: Mary, Nov. 27, 1728, d. same day.
Mary, Aug. 16, 1730, per. m. Benjamin Brooks.
Mehitable, Sept. 2, 1732.
Benjamin, Dec. 13, 1734.
Ruth, Nov. 23, 1736.
Mercy, Dec. 9, 1737.

MILLER, Benjamin. He m. July 13, 1769, Jerusha, dau. John Allen. 1786, Elijah Mattoon "brought Ben. Miller's family" from Skeensborough, N. Y., to Nfd. Jan. 20, 1790, "Benj. Miller and family, with Sarah, and Jerusha Miller, all of Gfd.," were warned out of town.

MILLER, Cyrus, 1815. He m. Oct. 15, 1816, Elizabeth M. Leach.

Ch.: Lucina, Aug. 4, 1817.
Alexis C., March 17, 1819.
Cyrus W., June 24, 1821.
Eliza M., July 18, 1823.
Henry O., Dec. 3, 1825.
Adeline Dell, Dec. 16, 1828.
Charles S., April 12, 1830.
Broadaway Dell, Aug. 5, 1832.
Gilbert M., Feb. 1, 1835.
Sarah E., Jan. 3, 1839.
Emma L., May 19, 1843.

MILLER, Daniel, 1795–1808.
He m. April 5, 1796, Lavina Freeman. (2), May 9, 1797, Laura Freeman.

MILLER, Elijah. He m. Dec. 27, 1812, Deborah Tripp.

MILLER, Jacob; Rev. sol., and in the war of 1812; d. May 4, 1832, a. 70.
He m. Phebe ——, who d. Oct. 13, 1845, a. 79.

MILLER, William, Ipswich, 1648; early sett. of Nhn.; engager for Nfd., 1671, and sett. in 1673, and 1685; d. July 15, 1690, leaving lands at Wfd., Nhn., and Nfd.
He m. Patience ——, who d. March 16, 1716.

Ch.: Mary, m. Dec. 18, 1672, Zebediah Williams. (2), Nov. 28, 1677, Godfrey Nims, of Dfd.
Rebecca, d. young.
Patience, Sept. 5, 1657, m. John Knott.
William, Nov. 30, 1659, m. April 19, 1693, Mary Bushnell.
Mercy, Feb. 8, 1662, m. 1687, John Fowler, of Westfield.
Ebenezer, June 6, 1664, m. about 1690, Hannah —.
Mehitable, July 10, 1666.
Thankful, April 25, 1669.
Abraham, Jan. 20, 1672, m. Jan. 1, 1700, Hannah, dau. Preserved Clapp.

MINER, Clement; potter; from West Spfd., 1787; remembered by the boys of his day as the gingerbread peddler at training, who carried his stock on a horse, in two large flat bottomed panniers; d. Feb. 10, 1810, a. 44.
He m. Nov. 1, 1789, Hepzibah, dau. Jona. Belding. She d. in Boston, April 24, 1819, a. 49.

Ch.: Benjamin F., Oct. 26, 1790; sea capt.; killed by accident at Liverpool, England.
Henry C., July 8, 1792 (2).
Clement S., Dec. 6, 1793; sett. in Vermont; was at the battle of Plattsburg, 1814.
Joseph E., Sept. 6, 1795, d. Aug. 12, 1798.
Seth, March 10, 1797, d. in Buffalo, N. Y.
Edwin, Feb. 4, 1799; a sailor; d. in Havanna.
Mary B., Oct. 28, 1800, d. unm. June 2, 1824.
Elizabeth S., Aug. 13, 1802.
Lucretia, Nov. 14, 1804, d. Sept., 1807.
Dwight, June 30, 1806; sett. in Maine.
Hephsana Philana, Feb. 28, 1808, m. Samuel Belding, of Boston.
Sarah B., April 5, 1809, m. Rev. Erastus S. Barnes, of Ohio.

2. Henry, s. of Clement (1), b. 1792; sett. in Boston; was on board the "Chesapeake," Capt. Lawrence, when that frigate was cap. by the "Shannon," off Boston, June 1, 1813.

He m. Eliza Bogle.

Ch.: Mary E., July 24, 1823.
John H. A., Aug. 25, 1825.
Sarah C., Jan. 7, 1829.

MISHAP, an African slave, owned by Capt. Samuel Hunt.

1. MOFFAT, John, b. 1719; sol. in the French wars; d. Nov. 15, 1780.

He m. Mehitable, per. dau. Benj. Miller. She d. July 18, 1780, "near 50."

Ch.: Mary, Nov. 28, 1749.
Anna, Nov. 28, 1751, m. June 20, 1775, David Stone, Chesterfield, N. H.
Mehitable, July 22, 1753, m. Sept. 2, 1774, Francis Ashley, of Nfd.
Mercy, Dec. 15, 1754, m. Feb. 15, 1770, Edward Tiffany.
Olive, Feb. 13, 1757; a famous spinner and weaver; d. unm., March 22, 1837.
Catherine D., Oct. 22, 1758.
John, Oct. 5, 1760 (2).
Ruth, Nov. 6, 1763.
Justus, June 3, 1765, d. in 3 days.
Eliel, Feb. 21, 1768.
Eli, Feb. 3, 1771, m. Nov. 20, 1799, Thankful Thomas.
Thankful, March 9, 1773, d. next day; the 14th child.

2. John, s. of John (1), b. 1760; Rev. sol., 1779. He m. Abigail ——.

Ch.: Calvin, bapt. Oct. 26, 1783.
Mehitable, bapt. March 21, 1785.

MUNRO, Asaph, 1819.

MUNRO, Nathaniel, Esq., 1698–1707. He m. Sarah ——.

Ch.: Deborah, d. May 16, 1798.
Mary Harris, d. Nov. 4, 1807.

MOODY, Abijah, 1807.

MOODY, Eli, b. in Granby, 1789; sett. minister over the second church, in 1826; dis. Dec. 24, 1830; he had formerly sett. in Weybridge, Vt., and South Hadley; afterwards he was sett. at Granby, 1830–36; East Granby, 1836–40; Montague, 1847; rep. 4 years.

1. MOODY, Jacob; cooper; from Had., 1801.

He m. Susanna Leach. Order of birth of children uncertain.

Ch.: Asahel, m. — Woodward, of Ber.
Silence, m. Sept. 6, 1815, William B. Farnsworth.
Susanna, m. Oct. 25, 1821, Elisha Nash, Jr., of South Hadley.
Lucinda, m. Dec. 19, 1821, John Nevers, Jr.
Jacob (3).
Per. Simon P., who was of Nfd., 1826.

2. Isaiah M., br. of Jacob, b. 1772; brick mason; he came to Nfd. abt. 1796, his whole fortune being the horse he rode, and his kit of tools, in a bag; d. Feb. 20, 1835.

He m. Dec. 15, 1799, Phila, dau. Medad Alexander. She d. Nov. 1, 1869, a. 89.

Ch.: Edwin, Nov. 1, 1800 (4).
Isaiah, Aug. 21, 1803; grad. B. U.; studied law with John Nevers; d. June 22, 1828.
Lucius A., Aug. 20, 1805 (5).
Phila A., Sept. 10, 1808, m. April 16, 1835, William Brooks.
Chloe A., June 15, 1810.
Noah, April 20, 1813, m. Sophia, dau. Elijah Alexander.
Eunice S., Dec. 31, 1816, m. April 7, 1843, Geo. A. Arms. She d. Oct. 26, 1857.
Mary L., Dec. 22, 1818, m. June 25, 1845, Lowell Stone, of Cambridge. She d. July 31, 1849.
Medad A., April 29, 1821 (6).

3. Jacob, s. of Jacob (1); cooper; d. about 1832.
He m. Ruby, dau. John Prindle.

Ch.: Charles, Feb. 27, 1820, d. June 9, 1826.
Calvin P., Jan. 25, 1822; sett. in Brooklyn, N. Y.
William F., Aug. 24, 1824.
Charles W., Nov. 27, 1826.
Ruby, Feb. 7, 1829, m. Robert Pratt, of Winch.
Harriet P., April 26, 1831, m. Harry Brown. (2), Samuel Mattoon.
Martha, m. George Cook, of Warwick.

4. Edwin, s. of Isaiah (2), b. 1800; d. May 28, 1841.
He m. Jan. 2, 1828, Betsey, dau. Luther Holton.

Ch.: Edwin J., Oct. 8, 1828, d. young.
Cornelia M., Feb. 26, 1832, m. Bigelow Walker, of Worcester.
George F., June 17, 1833, m. Julia Johnson. (2), Harriet Brown.
Edwin J., June 26, 1834; sett. in Chicago, Ill.
Luther H., Aug. 27, 1835, m.
Dwight R., Feb. 5, 1837; noted as a revivalist preacher.
Warren L., Oct. 23, 1838; sett. at Elmira, N. Y.
Samuel H., Elizabeth C., June 24, 1841. m. Bryant Washburne.

5. Lucius A., s. of Isaiah (2), b. 1805; brick mason.
He m. June 20, 1829, Sarah, dau. John Long.

Ch.: John F., June 26, 1840, m. Harriet Jacobs.
Sarah L., July 29, 1843, d. May 6, 1858.
Lucius L., Jan. 17, 1850.

6. Medad A., s. of Isaiah (2), b. 1821; brick mason.
He m. May 16, 1844, Adeline, dau. Harry Wright.

Ch.: Clarence, Oct. 13, 1846.
Frank W., May, 1853, d. Aug. 11, 185–.
Freddie S., Nelly S., April 3, 1859, d. Aug. 4, 1861. d. July 12, 1865.

MOORS, Benoni; Dfd., 1698; he received a grant of land from The Comm. at Nfd., 1716, and rem. there the same year; d. Nov. 18, 1753.

He m. Dec. 13, 1698, Mehitable, dau. of Samuel Allis. She d. May 8, 1757, a. 90.

Ch.: Elizabeth, April 29, 1700.
Mehitable, Jan. 2, 1701–2.
Samuel, Jan. 2, 1703–4, d. June 17, 1704.
Hezekiah, Jan. 18, 1704–5, d. Feb. 6, 1705.
Hannah, Dec. 25, 1706, d. Sept. 12, 1708.
Hannah, Sept. 22, 1708.
Samuel, May 15, 1712.
Mercy, Sept. 12, 1713.
Lediah, Feb. 28, 1715–6.
Ruth, Jan. 29, 1727.

MOORE, Fairbank; captain; killed by Indians, March 6, 1758, at Bratt.
He m. Juda, dau. Col. Benjamin Bellows; b. 1708.

Ch.: Fairbank (2).
Benjamin; sol. at Fort Dummer, 1756.

2. Fairbank, s. of Fairbank (1); sol. in the French and Ind. war; he was killed at Bratt., and his wife and children taken cap. by the Indians, March 6, 1758; they were redeemed, 1762.

He m. Esther, dau. Capt. John Kathan, afterwards of Putney, Vt. She was ad. to the church in Nfd., Nov. 28, 1756.

Ch.: A dau., bapt. at Fort Dummer, May 29, 1751.
Oliver, bapt. Nov. 26, 1756.
Child, Feb., 1758.

1. MORGAN, Reuben; from Brimfield to Nfd. about 1767; d. Oct. 19. 1811, a. 79.

He m. Edith, dau. Benj. Chapin. She d. Feb. 2, 1776, a. 38. (2), bef. 1792, Experience, dau. Isaac Chapin. She d. June 27, 1827, a. 82.

Ch.: Edith, 1762, d. Sept. 4, 1789.
Alpheus (3).
Frederick, Sept. 17, 1765 (4).
Diadama.
Tryphena H., Sept. 9, 1769, m. Nov. 10, 1793, Ezra Anderson, of Mont.
Gerezim, Aug. 16, 1771, d. Dec. 5, 1779.
Sharon, bapt. June 26, 1774, d. Oct. 18, 1775.
Charlotte, m. Oct. 22, 1792, Calvin Noble, of Westfield.
Electa, bapt. Feb. 10, 1776.
Order of birth, in this family, uncertain.

2. NOAH, br. of Reuben (1); from Brimfield about 1767; Rev. sol. at White Plains, 1776; at sur. of Burgoyne, 1777; d. about 1808.

He m. Mercy ——, who d. Dec. 21, 1776, a. 40. (2), July 18, 1782, Mary (Holton), wid. Aaron Robbins.

Ch.: Lavina, m. Aug. 27, 1789, Daniel Brooks, of Greenfield.
Mary, 1767, m. 1793, Levi Merriman.
Noah, bapt. June 11, 1769 (5).
Candice, bapt. July 21, 1771, d. Aug. 16, 1777.
Apollos, bapt. Nov. 14, 1773 (6).
Samuel K., bapt. Dec. 16, 1776, m. Sarah B., dau. Martin Kellogg; sett. in Had.
Fanny E., May 11, 1783, m. Feb. 6, 1811, Jeremiah Pratt, of Mont.
Aaron, Dec. 8, 1785, d. Aug. 31, 1803.
Levi, Jan. 14, 1788, d. June 25, 1874, in Waterford, N. Y.
Asahel, May 26, 1790 (7).
Obed, Feb. 21, 1792 (8).
Elisha, June 16, 1793 (9).

"The aged wid. Hitchcock, mother to Reuben and Noah Morgan, died April 25, 1785, aged 89. [*Ch. Rec.*]

Wid. Mary Morgan, of Brimfield, m. 1761, Ebenezer Hitchcock, who d. 1776.

3. ALPHEUS, s. of Reuben (1); Rev. sol.; at Ticonderoga, 1776; West Point, 1780.

He m. Susanna ——.

Ch.: Reuben, bapt. Feb. 19, 1792.
Laura, bapt. June 1, 1794.

4. FREDERICK, s. of Reuben (1), b. 1765; d. July 24, 1847.

He m. Sophia, dau. Jonathan Osgood. She d. Oct. 17, 1837, a. 65.

Ch.: Gerizem, March 24, 1798 (10).
Abigail, June 12, 1799, m. Dec. 31, 1824, Thomas Flemming.
Experience, Sept. 2, 1801, d. July 13, 1803.
Sophia, April 6, 1803, d. unm.
Frederick, Sept. 5, 1805, m. Juliette Ballard.
Calvin N., Dec. 17, 1808 (11).
Jonathan O., Nov. 25, 1810, m. Harriet Parks.
Joseph B., July 27, 1812, m. Lydia Knowlton.

5. NOAH, s. of Noah (2), b. 1769. He m. Mary Dwight, of Hfd.

Ch.: William, Feb. 28, 1798, d. young.
Dwight, Feb. 3, 1799, m. Aseneth F. Stratton, of Gill.
Mary, March 18, 1801, m. May 13, 1821, Nathan Simonds.
Avalina, May 28, 1803, m. April 7, 1833, John Knote.
Cordelia, May 19, 1805, d. Aug. 28, 1808.
Addison, Feb. 23, 1807, d. young.
Pamelia, Aug. 29, 1809.
Noah, Oct. 4, 1812, d. young.
Cordelia, Sept. 22, 1813, m. Mathews.
Electa, Oct. 28, 1815, d. young.
Silas; sett. in Leverett.

6. APOLLOS, s. of Noah (2), b. 1773; d. May 27, 1855.

He m. Jan. 7, 1802, Roxa, dau. Aaron Morgan, of Enfield. She d. April 29, 1837, a. 58.

Ch.: Wesson L., May 16, 1802, m. Amanda Robbins.
Lucretia, Jan. 5, 1804, m. Dec. 25, 1826, Daniel Belknap.

Aaron, Dec. 11, 1806, m. Silvia Pike.
Charles C., Oct. 21, 1808.
Cleora, Oct. 18, 1810, m. George Hapgood. She d. May 13, 1850.
Apollos, June 16, 1814, m. Jan. 9, 1839, Elvira Sawyer.

7. Asahel, s. of Noah (2), b. 1790. He m. Lucy Warren.

Ch.: William W., Nov. 22, 1820.
Joanna.
Willard.

8. Obed, s. of Noah (2), b. 1792; sett. in Gill.

He m. Oct. 12, 1813, wid. Betsey (Jennings) Field, who d. April 30, 1857, a. 76. (2), wid. Ann Jennings, who d. Aug. 18, 1869, a. 79.

Ch.: Jerusha, May 21, 1814, m. Marble.
Elsworth, May 26, 1816, d. Oct. 18, 1842.
Obed, May 14, 1819, m. Clarissa, dau. Roswell Purple.
Elijah, Dec. 5, 1822, m. Laura Leach.
Mary E., June 5, 1826.

9. Elisha, s. of Noah (2), b. 1793; d. Oct. 30, 1856.

He m. Jan. 1, 1818, Harriet Ruggles.

Ch.: Minerva, Dec. 18, 1818, d. March 20, 1822.
Louisa, Aug. 25, 1820, m. Harlow Humes.
Minerva, Dec. 30, 1822, m. James Dewing.
Mary H., Feb. 14, 1825, m. Orvis Luey.
Jeremiah P., Sept. 15, 1827, m. Eliza, dau. Peleg Adams; sett. in Greenfield.
Marshal M., March 29, 1829, m. Alice Dike.
Julia P., April 11, 1831, d. Sept. 22, 1845.
Elisha J., Sept. 15, 1833; Spfd.; at the head of the Morgan Envelope co.; contractors for U. S. postal cards, 1873.
Harriet J., March 21, 1836, m.
Fidelia, Jan. 6, 1840, m.

10. Gerizem, s. of Frederick (4), b. 1798; d. Nov. 24, 1850.

He m. May 11, 1824, Nancy W., dau. Elihu Robbins, of Hfd., b. March 3, 1801.

Ch.: Maria O., March 12, 1825.
Martha S., July 12, 1827, d. July 16, 1848.
Elihu R., March 24, 1829; doctor; m. April 11, 1858, Jennie Lewis, of Pharsalia, N. Y. (2), Nov. 27, 1872, Ada Hilliard, of Northfield.
Elvira A., July 18, 1832.
Frederick G., Sept. 5, 1834, m. Jan. 1, 1856, Janette Hilliard.
Nancy W., Nov. 10, 1836, m. March 9, 1859, Henry Lyman, of Ver. (2), April 23, 1862, Geo. M. Brooks.
Experience H., Oct. 22, 1838.
Electa A., Oct. 2, 1842, m. Feb. 3, 1864, Edward C. Nash.

11. Calvin N., s. of Frederick (4), b. 1808; d. March 12, 1871.

He m. Lucinda Nichols, who d. June 15, 1863, a. 53.

Ch.: Emily, Sept. 26, 1833, d. Nov. 11, 1834.
Emily, July 31, 1836.

MORREL, Reuben, 1786.

MORSE, Aaron, 1806. He m. Dec. 22, 1807, Sally Elgar.

MORSE, Artemas, br. to Aaron. He m. Lucretia ——.

Ch.: Lucy, Feb. 11, 1813.
Lucretia, May 5, 1817.
John, Jan. 23, 1821.

MORSE, Josiah, 1789.

MORSE, Nathaniel, 1807.

MORSE, Uriah, b. in Holliston, 1733; rem. from Nfd. in 1762, to Haverhill, N. H., where he was the first settler.

He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Martha, bapt. Sept. 24, 1758.
Anna, bapt. Feb. 17, 1760.

1. MUDGE, Jarvis; from England; in Boston, 1638; Hart., 1640; Weth., 1644; New London, 1649, where he d. 1653.

He m. 1649, Rebecca, wid of Abraham Elsing, of Weth. She rem. to Nhn. with her ch., 1654.

Ch.: Micah, b. at N. London, 1650 (2).
Moses, 1652 (3).

2. Micah, s. of Jarvis (1), b. 1750; surveyor; an engager for Nfd., 1671; a settler, 1673, and 85; was witness of the delivery of the first Indian purchase in Nfd., 1671; was allowed 10*s.* out of the contribution at Hart., 1676, on account of his losses; he was one of the first settlers of Lebanon, Ct., and one of the nine men who formed the church there, Nov. 7, 1700; his wife was the first woman who joined the church; he was tavern keeper, 1704; rem. to Hebron, Conn., before Sept., 1717, where he d. Jan., 1724.

He m. Sept. 23, 1670, Mary, dau. George Alexander, of Nhn. She d. 1728, a. 79.

Ch.: Mary, Aug. 8, 1671, m. — Rust. She d. Nov. 3, 1706.
Elizabeth, Oct. 10, 1673, m. Sept. 27, 1695, Joseph Allen, of Nhn.
Sarah, about 1675, m. Jan. 14, 1696, John Palmer, of Wind.
Moses.
Abigail, m. Dec. 7, 1699, William Phelps, of Wind. She d. April 24, 1705.
Ebenezer, Feb. 26, 1683-4, m. Abigail Skinner, of Sharon. He d. 1758.
Thankful, 1685, m. July 19, 1714, Wm. Nichols, of Lebanon. She d. 1741.
Susanna; had dau. named in her father's will.
Sarah, m. Dec. 30, 1714, Isaac Tilden, and d. 1715.

3. Moses, s. of Jarvis (1), b. 1652; sett. at Oyster Bay, R. I.; d. 1729.

He m. 1671, Mary ——.

Ch.: Jarvis, 1672, m. Jane —.
William, m. Ann Coles.
Jane, unm. July, 1741.
Elizabeth, m. John Duzenbury.
Mary, m. Waite Powell.

1. MUNN, Benjamin; sol. in the Pequot war, 1637; Hart., 1639; rem. to Spfd., 1649; was fined there in 1653, 5*s.* "for taking tobacco on his hay cock." In 1665, being then "very aged and weak," he was excused from military service; d. Nov., 1675.

He m. April 12, 1649, Abigail, dau. Henry Burt, wid. of Francis Ball. She m. (3), Dec. 14, 1676, Lt. Thomas Stebbins, of Spfd.

Ch.: Abigail, June 28, 1650, m. Dec. 21, 1672, Thomas Stebbins, Jr.
John, Feb. 8, 1651-2 (2).
Benjamin, March 25, 1654-5; sett. in Brimfield, 1715.
James, Feb. 16, 1655-6, m. May 28, 1698, wid. Mary (Moody) Panton; in the Falls fight, 1676; sett. in Colchester, Ct.
Nathaniel, July 25, 1661, m. March 24, 1690, Sarah, dau. Japhet Chapin.

2. John, s. of Benjamin (1), 1652; sett. in Wfd.; in the Falls fight, where he lost horse, saddle and bridle; aid was asked of the Gen. Court, 1683, the statement made that "he is under a wasting sickness, by reason of a surfeit got at the Falls fight, and will decline into an incurable consumption;" he d. 1684.

He m. Dec. 23, 1680, Abigail, dau. Dea. Benjamin Parsons, of Wfd.

Ch.: John, March 16, 1682.
Benjamin, 1683 (3).
James

3. Benjamin, s. of John (2), b. 1683; sett. in Dfd.; escaped unharmed the desolation of Feb. 29, 1704; rem. late in life to Nfd., where he d. Feb. 5, 1774.

He m. Jan. 15, 1703, Thankful, dau. Godfrey Nims; her sister Rebecca, m. Philip Mattoon, the same day; she d. July 11, 1746.

Ch.: Thankful, Jan. 12, 1704, m. 1712, James Corse.
Mary, Dec. 7, 1705, m. June 15, 1727, John Catlin.
Benjamin, May 26, 1708, d. Jan. 11, 1710.
Benjamin, July 3, 1709, m. Mary, dau. Sergt. Benj. Wait, of Hfd.
John, March 16, 1712 (4).
Rebecca, Dec. 10, 1714, d. Jan. 24, 1716.
Abigail, Jan. 9, 1717, m. 1738, Joseph Richardson, of Ashuelot.
Samuel, Sept. 14, 1719, m. March 16, 1743, Sarah Collins, of Dfd.
Rebecca, April 14, 1722, m. 1741, Solomon Richardson, of Medway.
Sarah, Nov. 14, 1724, m. 1747, Timothy Day, Springfield.
Mercy, June 1, 1728, m. 1750, Gideon Clark, of Northampton.

4. John, s. of Benjamin (3), b. 1712; sol. at Fort Dummer, 1730–36; rem. from Dfd. to Nfd., 174 :d. April 5, 1785.

He m. Mary, dau. William Holton. She d. Jan. 8, 1768, a. 54.

Ch.: John, Nov. 16, 1741 (5).
Mary, Nov. 30, 1743.
Noah, April 17, 1746 (6).
Oliver, April 24, 1748, d. Nov. 1, 1757.
Abigail, March 3, 1750.
Seth, bapt. May 5, 1754 (7).

5. John, s. of John (4), b. 1741; lived in Gfd. until about 1772, when he prob. rem. to Gill; sol. of '76.

He m. Ann ——.

Ch.: Oliver, Nov. 23, 1768.
Anna, July 18, 1770.
Eunice, Sept. 18, 1773.
Mary, Dec. 19, 1775.
Eli, April 23, 1778.
Jemima, May 29, 1780.
Mehitable, Aug. 8, 1781.
Abigail, May 25, 1783.
John, April 30, 1785.
Joel, March 25, 1787.
Roswell, Feb. 8, 1789.
Roxa, March 15, 1791.

6. Noah, s. of John (4), b. 1746; wife unknown.

Ch.: Moses, bapt. March 10, 1771.
Noah, bapt. May 10, 1772, m. 1804, Sibyl Field, of Nfd., per. wid. of John.
Aaron, bapt. Feb. 27, 1774.
Eldad, bapt. Oct. 15, 1775.
Sarah, bapt. Aug. 8, 1782.
Chloe, } b. March 28,
Clarissa, } 1787.
Asahel, bapt. July 9, 1790.

7. Seth, s. of John (4), b. 1754; Rev. sol., 1779.

He m. Dec. 18, 1782, Salina, dau. Ebenezer Janes.

Ch.: Otis, Sept. 28, 1784, m. Melenda, dau. Obadiah Janes.
Sylvia, May 21, 1787.
Seth, Aug. 15, 1789, m. Gratia Wright. (2), Matilda Griswold. (3), Elvira D. Philips.
Sophia, April 15, 1792.
Orra, Feb. 17, 1793, m. — Horsely, of Ber.
Rhoda, Aug. 10, 1796, m. Henry Bascom.
Obadiah, Oct. 26, 1798, m. Orilla Adgate.
Luther, Jan. 25, 1800, m. Lucinda Mayo.

MUNN, Elisha; set off to Gill, 1795. He m. Eunice ——.

Ch.: Rufus, Nov. 3, 1781.
Patty, June 8, 1784.
Asaph, bapt. May 14, 1786, m. Cynthia —.
Elisha, Jan. 3, 1789; Greenfield, 1819; m. Susan —.
Eunice, Feb. 24, 1791.
Lydia, Aug. 16, 1793.

1. MUNSELL, Thomas; New London, Ct., 1681; d. 1712.

He m. Lydia ——.

Ch.: Jacob (2).
Elisha; of Norwich, Ct., 1723.
Mercy.
Deliverance.

Yours truly J. Munsell

2. Jacob, s. of Thomas (1); Wind., 1723–50.

He m. Sarah Calkins. (2), Feb. 15, 1718–19, Phebe Loomis.

Ch.: Calkins, June 12, 1718, m. May 19, 1743, Mary Booth; sett. in Windsor.
Thomas, April 9, 1720, d. April 17, 1720.
Mercy, Feb. 9, 1721, d. young.
Elisha, Sept. 15, 1723 (3).
Jonathan, Oct. 7, 1725, m. Hannah —.
Mercy, Feb. 20, 1728.
Gurdon, April 26, 1730, m. 1751, Lucy Stiles.
Jacob, April 21, 1732, m. 1751, Sarah Bancroft.
Joseph, Sept. 28, 1734.
John, Sept. 5, 1736.
Desire, Sept. 5, 1741, m. Isaac Rockwell.

3. Elisha, s. of Jacob (2), b. 1723; d. Nov. 22, 1803.

He m. Dec. 27, 1750, Keziah Taylor, who d. April 8, 1784, a. 58.

Ch.: Hezekiah, Dec. 7, 1751, d. young.
Hezekiah, Jan. 17, 1753 (4).
Joel, July 8, 1755, d. of small pox, Nov. 23, 1777, on his return from the continental army.
Miriam, Jan. 15, 1757, d. young.
Naomi, April 3, 1758, m. Jonathan Button.
Bathsheba, Dec. 6, 1760, d. July 10, 1791.
Keziah, Oct. 17, 1763, d. April 9, 1789.
Miriam, Jan. 17, 1767, m. James Wolcott.
Ruth, Oct. 15, 1769, d. young.

4. Hezekiah, s. of Elisha (3), b. 1753; East Windsor; in Rev. army much of the time, from April, 1775, to Nov., 1780; d. April 14, 1844.

He m. Jan. 24, 1777, Irene Bissell, who d. March 17, 1847, a. 91.

Ch.: Hezekiah, Sept. 17, 1777, m. 1814, Mary Hull; lawyer.
Irene, Feb. 2, 1779, m. Martin Green.
Joel, d. young.
Joel, Jan. 14, 1783 (5).
Ezra, March 27, 1785, m. 1811, Chloe Squires.
Timothy, July 1, 1787, m. 1812, Abigail Sad.
Luke, June 4, 1790, m. 1820, Eliza T. D. Z. N. Sneed.
Elisha, March 13, 1793, m. Oct. 30, 1817, Polly Hurd, of Nfd.; sett. in Swanzey, N.H.
Keziah, Feb. 15, 1796.
Laura, April 29, 1798.

5. Joel, s. of Hezekiah (4), b. 1783; Nfd., 1806; plough and wagon maker; rem. to Gill; "a man of excellent reputation."

He m. May 5, 1807, Cynthia Paine.

Ch.: Joel, April 14, 1808 (6).
Son, Aug. 30, 1812, d. in infancy.
Cynthia, June 29, 1810.
Cyrus, Jan. 10, 1814, m. Diantha Huntoon; sett. in Auburn, N. Y.
Luke, Oct. 26, 1816, m. Margaret A. Johnston; res. in Boston.
Elijah B. Sept. 21, 1819, m. Martha Covel; sett. in Manchester, Ct.
Mary E., Nov. 11, 1822.

6. Joel, s. of Joel (5), b. 1808; printer; sett. in Albany; widely celebrated as a publisher of historical and genealogical books, and is himself the author of a considerable number of similar works. He is remembered by his school mates as a "smart, lively boy;" that he was prompt and energetic, is shown by this current anecdote. In 1825, Jona. A. Saxton, late of Deerfield, was publishing at Greenfield, the "*Franklin Post and Christian Freeman;*" late one evening Joel heard of a vacancy in this office, and at once determined to make application for it; knowing that delays are dangerous, he walked down to Greenfield, some 12 miles, early in the following morning, and secured the coveted place of printer's devil, and returned on foot the same day. At this office he commenced to learn his trade, and in little more than a year's time, filled the highest position in the office.

He m. June 17, 1834, Jane C. Bigelow, who d. June 17, 1854, a. 42. (2), Sept. 11, 1856, Mary Ann Reid.

Ch.: William A., May, 1835; res. in Cincinnati.
Anna, Aug., 1839, d. June 10, 1840.
Julia Annie, Feb. 13, 1850.
Charles, Dec. 29, 1852.
Francis, June 19, 1857.
Jessie, Jan. 2, 1859.
Sarah, Feb. 10, 1861.
Mary, Dec. 9, 1862.
Laura, March 15, 1866.
Emma, June 14, 1868.

NASH, Elizabeth, wid. of Elisha; d. Dec. 24, 1831, a. 67.

NASH, Elisha. He m. Susan, dau. Jacob Moody.

Ch.: Oliver, Oct. 28, 1829.
Elizabeth A., Aug. 13, 1831, d. Sept. 1, 1842.
Elisha, Feb. 19, 1833, d. Feb. 27, 1833.
Jacob M., Dec. 30, 1836.
Eunice D., Feb. 14, 1838.

NASH, Joanna. She m. March 2, 1768, Jacob Hastings, of Warwick.

1. NETTLETON, Edward, from Hartford co., Ct.; Nfd. about 1787.

He m. Jan. 1, 1789, Elizabeth, dau. Rufus Field. She d. June 21, 1830.

Ch.: Sobriety, July 18, 1789, m. 1806, Joseph Perry.
George, July 30, 1791 (2).
Elizabeth F., Sept. 30, 1794, m. March 10, 1813, David Wright, of Mont. (2), Willard Allen, of Deerfield.
Edward, May 26, 1796 (3).
Hannah M., Oct. 20, 1802, m. Jan. 13, 1819, Ebenezer Childs.

2. George, s. of Edward (1), b. 1791.

He m. Feb. 21, 1816, Lucy, dau. Barzillai Wood.

Ch.: Roxana L., Oct. 31, 1817.
Charles L., Sept. 4, 1819.
George D., March 18, 1821.
King David, Feb. 26, 1823.
Frances H., July 23, 1825, d. Dec. 22, 1830.
Elizabeth F., Nov. 28, 1827.
Lucy L., Nov. 20, 1831, d. May 12, 1832.

3. Edward, s. of Edward (1), b. 1796; rem. to Montague.

He m. Lucretia, dau. Barzillai Wood.

Ch.: David W., Jan. 3, 1817.
Cynthia P., Nov. 11, 1819.

NEVERS, John, 1804; major gen. 15 div. Mass. militia, 1812; P. M.; lawyer; adm. to the bar, 1808; dist. attorney, 1811; high sheriff, Franklin co., 16 years; rep. 3 years; d. March 30, 1847, a. 73.

He m. Hannah Webb, who d. Nov. 29, 1848, a. 65.

NEVERS, John, 2d; from Charlestown, N. H.; d. 1874.

He m. Lucinda, dau. Jacob Moody.

Ch.: Lucinda M., Dec. 20, 1824.
Ebenezer J., Feb. 26, 1828, m. Marcinia Parkman.
Sylvia, m. Nathan Fisher.

NEWCOMB, Bradford, 1771–2.

NEWCOMB, Horatio, s. of Hezekiah, of Ber.; b. 1786; studied law with John Barrett; practiced in Winchendon; Nfd., and Gfd.; d. 1857, a. 71.

He m. Maria ——. (2), July 19, 1821, Elmira, dau. Quartus Wells, of Deerfield.

Ch.: Maria P., b. at Winchendon, April 25, 1817.
Eliza A., July 8, 1822.
Charles J., Aug. 23, 1825.
Catherine W., Jan. 28, 1826.
Sarah Helen, April 9, 1827.
Alonzo W., March 2, 1833.

NEWELL, Seth, s. of Jesse, of Ver.; came to Nfd., April 1, 1820; was killed the 20th, by falling, with a team, through Northfield bridge.

He m. —— Thayer. She m. (2), Silas Logan, of Deerfield.

Ch.: David.
Wyman.
Harriet.
Eliza.
Martha.

NEWTON, Abner, 1767; of Dfd., 1765.

NEWTON, David, 1764–5.

NEWTON, Jonathan, 1765.

NICHOLS, James; from Hins.; rem. to Athens, Vt.
He m. July 13, 1774, Ann, dau. Pedajah Field.

Ch.: Anna, bapt. Feb. 10, 1775.
Reuben F., bapt. May 31, 1778.
James, bapt. June 25, 1781.
Bill, bapt. Aug. 10, 1783.
Jonathan, bapt. Dec. 9, 1787.

NOBLE, Caleb, 1762; taxed two polls; d. March 7, 1765.

NORTHAM, Willaim, 1815.

1. NORTON, Alexander, 1751; thrown from a horse and killed, Nov. 13, 1790, a. 62.
He m. Lydia, dau. Ephraim Chamberlain.

Ch.: Lydia, bapt. Nov. 25, 1753, d. Feb. 12, 1754.
Lydia, bapt. Jan. 26, 1755.
Huldah, bapt. July 3, 1757, m. June 8, 1775, William Belcher.
Salah, bapt. Aug. 19, 1759 (2).
Susanna, bapt. Dec. 3, 1761, m. Feb. 26, 1789, James Boyden.
Alexander, bapt. May 3, 1765, d. Oct. 26, 1765.
Sarah, bapt. May 7, 1769, m. Dec. 4, 1791, Samuel Brewer, of Boston.
Anna, bapt. Oct. 10, 1773, d. Oct. 26, 1775.

2. Salah, s. of Alexander (1), b. 1759.
He m. Jan. 20, 1791, Aneseth, dau. Ebenezer Stratton.

Ch.: William, April 2, 1791, m. Sibyl Knapp.
Anna, Oct. 6, 1792.
Patty, March 29, 1794, d. July 2, 1817.
Aseneth, Jan. 24, 1796, m. Elisha Lane, of Swanzey, N. H.
Betsey, Aug. 28, 1797, m. — Wright.
Alexander, Aug. 15, 1799, killed by a cart, Aug. 18, 1809.

NORTON, John, 1760–5; rem. to Westminster, Vt.; d. Dec. 5, 1811, a. 70.
He m. May 7, 1764, Ann, dau. John Holton. She d. Dec. 6, 1849.

NORTON, William, 1813.

OAKS, Jonathan, s. of John, of Petersham, b. about 1740; a sol. of Sund., 1757; Nfd., 1765; Conway, 1773.
He m. Feb. 21, 1765, Martha, dau. Nathaniel Hawks, of Deerfield.

OLIVER, Dorothy. She m. 1788, Abraham Briggs.

OLIVER, James; sergeant, 1749.
He m. Aug. 3, 1752, Hannah, dau. Jonathan Janes. She d. Oct. 4, 1831, a. 97.

OLIVER, John, 1751.

1. OLMSTEAD, Asa, s. of Asa, of Enfield, Conn., b. April 19, 1791; lawyer; grad. at Princeton Col., 1814; studied law with Geo. Bliss, of Spfd.; practiced in Wilbraham, 1822–30; at Nfd., 1830 to 1842, when he left the profession, and rem. to Clinton, N. Y. Here he held offices of honor and

trust, and here he will be held in grateful remembrance by the inhabitants of the village, for the fine grove of trees on the green, the planting of which, he personally superintended. He d. Feb. 25, 1874.

He m. July 3, 1821, Mary P., dau. of Dr. Solomon Bond, of Enfield, Ct., b. 1792.

Ch.: Mary B., at Wilbraham, Feb. 26, 1823, m. Aug. 24, 1847, Theodore W. Dwight, now the distinguished law prof. of Columbia College.
Sarah H., Oct. 17, 1824, d. Jan. 8, 1832.
Dwight H., Nov. 16, 1826 (2).
Nabby P., April 7, 1831, d. at Clinton, of con., Nov. 7, 1864.
Sarah H., Dec. 3, 1832.

2. Dwight H., s. of Asa (1), b. 1826; lawyer; grad. Ham. Col., 1846; of the firm of Tracy, Olmstead & Tracy, New York City. Is said to be "in extensive practice, and of independent means."

He m. Feb. 2, 1855, Maria N., dau. Richard Lawrence, of Flushing, L. I.

Ch.: Lawrence D., Nov. 22, 1855.
Ida C., Dec. 18, 1859.
Agnes M., Dec. 31, 1862, d. Aug. 16, 1864.
Grace M., Aug. 7, 1865.

OLMSTEAD, Israel, 1761; from Warwick.

OLMSTEAD, Simeon, b. at Ware River, about 1744; Warwick, 1761; Nfd., 1763–6; sol. under Capt. Burke, 1760.

OLMSTEAD, Timothy; sergeant, 1758–69; wife unknown.

Ch.: Thankful, bapt. Aug. 27, 1769.

ORVIS, Samuel, of Farmington, Ct.; was offered 30 a. land, at Nfd., Jan. 30, 1718, on condition he come with his family, and stay four years; in 1720, he sold land in Pauchaug, to Rev. Benj. Doolittle, and his home lot to Stephen Belding.

1. ORVIS, William; prob. s. of Samuel, b. 1709, at Simsbury, Ct.; of Winch., 1743; Nfd., 1749; d. June 14, 1774.

He m. Anna ——, who d. Aug. 19, 1746. (2), 1750, Martha ——, who d. Sept. 30, 1754. (3), 1755, Elizabeth Severance.

Ch.: Mercy, Nov. 12, 1735, d. Sept. 20, 1754.
Samuel, March 10, 1738–9, b. in Simsbury; sol., 1756–8.
William, May 8, 1740 (2).
Rachael, July, 1745.
Anna, March 4, 1746–7.
Charles, Aug. 20, 1751.
Oliver, Oct. 2, 1752 (3).
Gershom, May 23, 1754; of Bratt. 1782.
Waitstill, Dec. 2, 1755; of Hins., 1775.
Ambrose, July 7, 1758.

2. William, s. of William (1), b. 1740; rem. to Leyden, about 1785.

He m. about 1764, Mindwell ——.

Ch.: Mercy, April 12, 1765.
William, July 23, 1767.
Ariel, bapt. Feb. 14, 1770, d. same day.
Experience, bapt. Oct. 8, 1773.

3. Oliver, s. of William (1), b. 1752; wife unknown.

Ch.: Hiel, bapt. March 3, 1777.
Lucy, bapt. Jan. 18, 1778.
Rufus, bapt. Feb. 20, 1780, d. April 1, 1790.
Oliver, bapt. Sept. 29, 1782; sett. in Halifax, Vt.
Samuel, bapt. Sept. 12, 1784.
Patty, bapt. June 26, 1786.
Rhoda, bapt. Nov. 9, 1788.
Polly, bapt. Feb. 13, 1791.
Rufus, bapt. Sept. 23, 1792.

1. OSGOOD, JOHN, b. in England, July 23, 1595; came from Andover, Hampshire co., 1637 or 8; his wife and ch. sailed from Southampton, in the "Confidence," April 11, 1638, in company with William, his brother; sett. at Newbury, but was of Andover, as one of the founders of the ch., 1645; rep. to the Gen. Court, 1651; d. Oct. 24, 1651.

He m. Sarah, in Eng. She d. April 8, 1667.

Ch.: Sarah, 1629, m. June 1, 1648, John Clements.
John, 1631, m. Nov. 15, 1653, Mary Clements, who, in 1692, was indicted for witchcraft, but saved her life by confession of impossible guilt.
Mary, 1633, m. July 6, 1653, Henry Ingalls.
Elizabeth, 1635, m. Oct. 12, 1659, John Brown, of Reading.
Stephen, 1638 (2).
Hannah, 1644, m. May 21, 1660, Samuel Archer.
Deborah, m. Aug. 28, 1663, John Russ.

2. STEPHEN, s. of John (1), b. 1638; Andover; d. of small pox, Jan. 15, 1691.

He m. Oct. 24, 1663, Mary Hooker.

Ch.: Stephen, March 11, 1665, d. Oct. 1, 1667.
Hooker, Aug. 24, 1668 (3).
Stephen, Aug. 16, 1670, m. Hannah Blanchard, who d. March, 1774, a. 93.
Joseph, June 1, 1673, m. Mary Marble.
Mary, Dec. 23, 1677, d. March 4, 1678.

3. HOOKER, s. of Stephen (2), b. 1668; Andover; saddler; rem. to Lancaster, 1711, where he d. Jan. 29, 1748.

He m. April 13, 1692, Dorothy Wood.

Ch.: Hooker, March 26, 1693, m. Mary Wheelock.
Joshua, Sept. 2, 1694 (4).
Jonathan, Sept. 16, 1696, m. Aseneth Sawyer.
David, Oct. 8, 1698, m. Eunice Carter.
Benjamin, May 21, 1700, m. Hannah Divoll.
Moses, 1702, m. Martha Parsons.
Aaron, 1706, Eunice White.
Dorothy, 1707, m. — Whitcomb.
Elizabeth, 1709, m. Thomas Sawyer.
Sarah, 1710, m. John Divoll.

4. JOSHUA, s. of Hooker (3), b. 1694; rem. from Andover to Barre, about 1726, where he was a leading man; d. May 31, 1783.

He m. Dec. 20, 1722, Ruth Divoll, who d. May 28, 1782, 60 years after m.

Ch.: Joshua, April 13, 1724, d. young.
Ephraim, May 22, 1726, m. Abigail Houghton.
Ruth, Nov. 27, 1727, m. Phineas Houghton.
Sarah, Dec. 7, 1729, d. young.
William, Aug. 20, 1732, m. Hepzibah Dunter.
Asahel, March 23, 1735, m. Hannah Wilder.
Abel, April 25, 1738, m. Eunice Temple.
Sarah, Dec. 7, 1740, m. Asa Thompson.
Manassah, April 30, 1745 (5).
Lemuel, Nov. 6, 1747, m. Lydia Merrifield.
Joshua, Aug. 10, 1749, m. Polly Bachelder.

5. MANASSAH, s. of Joshua (4), b. 1745; Barre; d. Nov. 27, 1830.

He m. April 4, 1770, Mehitable Clark, who d. June 5, 1792.

Ch.: Cynthia, May 23, 1771, d. Nov. 18, 1844.
Chloe, Jan. 4, 1773, m. Jesse Marsh.
Manassah, Oct. 15, 1774, m. Anna Baxton.
Luke, Jan. 17, 1777, m. Abigail Blanchard.
Joel, Feb. 22, 1779 (6).
Amasa, Nov. 15, 1781, d. July 22, 1782.
Rhoda, July 4, 1783, m. John Wheeler.
Nancy, Sept. 7, 1785, m. Joseph Wait.
Eunice, Feb. 5, 1788, d. March 11, 1790.
Sylvia, Sept. 6, 1790, m. Jesse Marsh.

6. Joel, s. of Manassah (5), b. 1779; colonel; New Salem; tanner and currier; d. April 7, 1852.

He m. March, 1804, Henrietta Hastings, who d. June 28, 1839.

Ch.: Charles, Jan. 7, 1805 (7).
Julia A., July 24, 1806.
Infant, Feb. 17, 1808, d. unbaptized.
Mary, Nov. 30, 1809, d. May 1, 1811.
Nancy, Aug. 29, 1811, m. Lot Dearetts. She d. Feb. 23, 1839.
George, Feb. 19, 1815, m. Harriet Pierce.
Maria C., March 3, 1816, m. Jonathan Haskall.
Erastus, June 3, 1819, d. March 6, 1838.
Joseph S., Oct. 27, 1822, m. —— Merriam.
Harriet H., March 29, 1830, m. — Appling.

7. Charles, s. of Joel (6), b. 1805; preceptor of academies in New Salem, and Nfd., where he rem. 1838; merchant; P. M.; rep.; town clerk, 16 years.

He m. July 15, 1835, Lovicy, dau. Jabez Parsons.

Ch.: Maria C., Sept. 3, 1836, m. Aug. 15, 1859, Charles G. Hooker, Cala.
Henrietta L., Nov. 18, 1838, m. Aug. 26, 1861, Charles S. Dewey, of Ber.
Agusta P., April 22, 1841.
Mary J., Nov. 26, 1843.
Charles P., March 5, 1851.

PAGE, Elizabeth, m. 1794, Seth Lyman.

PAGE, Esther, m. July 22, 1802, John Prindle.

PAGE, Lewis, 1792–1813; had grist and saw mill, on Pauchaug brook; rem. to Winch.

He m. Charlotte ——.

Ch.: David, July 10, 1791,
Lewis, Feb. 25, 1793, } Burned to d. in father's saw mill, April 21, 1813.
Allen, Sept. 16, 1794, d. June 20, 1795.
Phila, April 7, 1796.
Betsey, Sept. 28, 1798, d. Sept. 18, 1803.
George, June 16, 1800; a noted inventor of machinery.
Thomas, Dec. 4, 1801.
Charlotte, March 23, 1806.
Lucian, Dec. 29, 1807.
Mary, Feb. 23, 1813, d. March 28, 1813.

PAGE, Orrise, 1801.

PAGE, Seneca, 1803–15; miller, on Pauchaug brook.
He m. Oct. 5, 1806, Freedom Lyman.

PAGE, Thomas, 1802–13; miller, on Pauchaug brook.

PAGE, Horace, 1807.

PALMER, Benjamin; grantee of Nfd., 1682, and sett. 1685; was of Plainfield, Conn., 1702; did not return at the Third Settlement.

PALMER, Moses; Capt., of Little Compton; d. Nov. 26, 1759, a. 38. He was buried in Hins., directly across the river from Ft. Dummer. Nothing has been ascertained of his lineage, or history.

PARKER, Abraham, 1770–80; from Richmond, N. H.; Rev. sol.
He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Abraham.
Hannah.
John.
Solomon.
David.
Ruth.
Betty.

PARKER, Ebenezer, 1818.

PARKER, Ephraim, 1790–91.

PARKER, Isaac; merchant; in co. with Pomroy & Prior; date not known.

PARKER, Jonathan, 1780–5; Rev. sol.

PARKER, Stephen, 1781–9; Rev. sol. 1781.

PARKHURST, Abraham, 1771–3.

PARMENTER, Artemas, 1790–1.

PARMENTER, Asahel, 1791–1801; rem. to Gill.

PARMENTER, Elias, 1764-1801.
He m. Sybil, dau. Ebenezer Sheldon, of Bernardston.

PARMENTER, Joseph. He m. Lydia, dau. John Robbins.

Ch.: John, Feb. 27, 1818.
Mary A., April 15, 1820.

PARMENTER, Josiah, from Ber., 1764; his farm was set off to Gill, 1795; d. Aug. 23, 1829.

He m. May 4, 1768, Bethiah, dau. William Holton. She d. May 11, 1785, a. 40. (2), Sept. 15, 1785, Hannah Childs, of Greenfield.

Ch.: Josiah, Feb. 29, 1772.
Bethia, Oct. 17, 1773, m. March 6, 1794, Benjamin Horsely, of Greenfield.
Nathan, Sept. 10, 1775.
Ruth, Feb. 22, 1777.
Dolly, May 3, 1782.
Chester, June 27, 1786.
Polly, bapt. Nov. 11, 1787, d. Sept. 3, 1788.
Polly, bapt. June 18, 1790.
Nancy, bapt. May 10, 1791.
Elmer, bapt. Sept. 8, 1793.
Lucinda, Aug. 22, 1795.
Philena, April 29, 1797.
Melete, Feb. 20, 1801.

1. PARSONS, Joseph; from Dorchester, Eng.; of Spfd., 1636, where he witnessed the first deed from the Indians to Wm. Pynchon, July 15, of that year; rem. to Nhn. about 1655; was given possession of the first tract of land bought of the Indians at Squakheag, 1671, and was active in the settlement of the town. [*See ante*, pp. 53 and 69.] Ret. to Spfd., 1679; cornet of troops of horse; d. Oct. 9, 1683, [*Savage*,] March 25, 1684, [*Allen.*]

He m. Nov. 26, 1646, Mary, dau. Thomas Bliss, of Hart. In 1674 she was accused of being a witch; on this charge she was tried and acquitted the next year, at Boston; she d. Jan. 29, 1712.

Ch.: Joseph, 1647 (2).
Benjamin, buried June 22, 1649.
John, 1650; captain; m. Sarah Clark, who d. April 15, 1728, a. 69.
Samuel, 1653; of Nhn., 1690; of Durham, Ct., 1713.
Ebenezer, May 1, 1655, the first white ch. born in Nhn. He was killed by the Indians at their first assault on Nfd., Sept. 2, 1675.
Jonathan, June 6, 1657, m. Mary Clark. He d. Oct. 19, 1694.
David, April 30, 1659, d. young.
Mary, June 27, 1661, m. 1685, Joseph Ashley, and (2), March 2, 1699, Joseph Williston.
Hannah, Aug. 1, 1664, m. Jan. 6, 1688, Peletiah Glover, Jr.
Abigail, Sept. 3, 1666, m. Feb. 19, 1690, John Colton.
Esther, Dec. 24, 1672, m. Sept. 15, 1698, Rev. Joseph Smith, of Middletown, Ct.

2. Joseph, s. of Joseph (1), b. 1647; of Spfd., and Nhn.; judge in the County Court; rep. from Spfd., 1706-8; rep. from Nhn., 14 years; built a corn mill at Dfd., 1695; a wealthy and enterprising man; d. Nov. 29, 1729.

He m. March 17, 1669, Elizabeth, dau. Elder John Strong. She d. May 11, 1736.

Ch.: Joseph, June 28, 1671; H. C., 1697, sett. minister at Lebanon, Ct., 1700; m. 1697, Abigail Phelps. He d. 1740.
John, Jan. 11, 1674; lieutenant; m. Nov. 23, 1696, Sarah, dau. Rev. Hope Atherton.
Ebenezer, Dec. 11, 1675; captain; m. Dec. 15, 1703, Mary Stebbins. He d. Nov. 1, 1753.
Elizabeth, Feb. 3, 1678; prob. m. Dec. 25, 1707, Thomas Lyman.
David, Feb. 1, 1680; H. C., 1705.
Josiah, Jan. 2, 1682, m. June 22, 1701, Sarah, dau. Isaac Sheldon.
Daniel, August, 1685.
Moses, Jan. 15, 1687.
Abigail, Jan. 1, 1690, m. Dec. 10, 1712, Ebenezer Clark.
Noah, Aug. 15, 1692, m. Jan. 17, 1712, Mindwell, dau. Benj. Edwards. He d. Oct. 27, 1779.

1. PARSONS, Philip, a first sett. in Enfield, Conn., 1697, where he was living 1748.

He m. Anna ——.

Ch.: Philip, 1708; Enfd., 1750.
Nathaniel, 1712, m. 1736, Alice Collins.
Shubel, 1715, d. s. p. in Enfield, at an advanced age.
Thomas, 1718 (2).
Ebenezer, 1724, d. young.

2. Thomas, s. of Philip (1), b. 1718; d. in Enfield, 1811.

He m. Nov. 12, 1741, Mary Parsons. (2), June 15, 1753, Lydia Booth. (3), Oct. 21, 1781, Jemima (Bailey) Taylor.

Ch.: Elijah, July 21, 1745 (3).

3. Elijah, s. of Thomas (2), b. July 21, 1745; d. Aug. 31, 1797.

He m. Oct. 16, 1766, Jerusha Collins, who d. April 26, 1826, a. 79.

Ch.: Jerusha, April 17, 1768.
Elijah, March 2, 1771, m. Sept. 4, 1800, Polly Holton.
Sarah, June 24, 1773.
Winthrop, June 8, 1775.
Jabez, Aug. 7, 1777 (4).
Cynthia, Feb. 4, 1784, d. March 11, 1810.
Horace, March 14, 1785, d. Feb. 4, 1817.
Mary, April 13, 1790.

4. Jabez, s. of Elijah (3), b. 1777; tanner and currier; at Nfd., 1801; d. Feb. 9; 1871.

He m. Jan. 21, 1801, Lovicy dau. Isaac Prior. She d. July 6, 1848, a. 68.

Ch.: Albert, Feb. 9, 1803, d. Sept. 7, 1805.
Elljah, Nov. 26, 1804, d. Oct. 10, 1837.
Lovicy, Feb. 1, 1809, m. July 16, 1835, Charles Osgood.
Albert C., July 31, 1812 (3).
Horace E., Sept. 13, 1820, m. Sept. 27, 1842, Sophia M. Stratton.

5. Albert C., s. of Jabez (4), b. 1812; rep. and senator, Mass. leg.; assessor and collector, U. S. revenue.

He m. June 12, 1838, Hannah, dau. Joseph Stevens, of Warwick. She d. March 24, 1855, a. 34. (2), July 27, 1858, Susan E., wid. of Joseph Beach, dau. of James Lane, of Virginia.

Ch.: Albert S., Nov. 16, 1841, m. Sept. 4, 1871, wid. Louise F. Illsey.
Maria M., Jan. 8, 1843, m. April 3, 1866, Edward W. Sanborn. She d. Feb. 21, 1868.
Apoline, April 24, 1848, d. July 3, 1848.
Walace E., Aug. 13, 1849, d. Aug. 31 1849.
Mary L., May 23, 1859.
Herbert C., Jan. 15, 1862.

PATCH, John G., 1819.

1. PATTERSON, James; one of the soldiers of Charles II, who were cap. by Cromwell at the battle of Worcester, and sent to the colonies, to be sold. They sailed from London, Nov. 1, 1651, in the "John and Sarah," and arrived at Boston, May, 1652. He was made freeman, 1690; a sol. in Philip's war; d. about 1701.

He m. May 26, 1662, Rebecca, dau. Andrew Stevenson.

Ch.: Mary, Aug. 22, 1666, m. Jan. 30, 1689, Peter Proctor.
James, Feb. 28, 1669, d. young.
Andrew, April 4, 1672.
John, April 8, 1675, m. Joanna Hall; sett. in Billirica.
Joseph, Jan. 1, 1678.
Rebecca, July 18, 1680, d. young.
James, April 13, 1683; sett. in Groton.
Jonathan, Jan. 31, 1686 (2).

2. **Jonathan**, s. of James (1), b. 1686; tailor; Watertown, 1707; of Dfd, 1713; in 1716, grants of land were made him, on condition he would settle in Nfd.; rem. there 1716, and d. 1718.

He m. July 30, 1713, Mary, dau. Eleazer Hawks, of Dfd. She d. March 4, 1757, a. 61.

Ch.: Jonathan, Dec. 18, 1714, d. Feb. 24, 1821.
Eleazer, Sept. 2, 1716 (3).

3. **Eleazer**, s. of Jona. (2), b. 1716; colonel; settled in the north part of the town, now Ver.; sol. under Capt. Elijah Williams, 1755; he was active in behalf of the New York party, in the N. Hampshire Grants trouble, and received a com. from New York as col. of the lower reg. of Cumberland co., Aug. 18, 1778; and in 1782, was appointed by the same power, justice of the "Court of Common Pleas, and General Goal Delivery;" rem. to Bratt. about 1792, where he d. April 8, 1801.

He m. Lydia ——, who d. April 4, 1761, a. 46. (2), about 1770, Abigail ——, from Nhn. She d. Oct. 3, 1783, a. 58.

Ch.: Lydia, Sept. 2, 1737, m. Jan. 28, 1757, William White, of Had., Hins., Nfd., and Spfd.
Jonathan, Sept. 16, 1748.
Mary, June 19, 1752.
Eleazer, Dec. 15, 1754 (4).

4. **Eleazer**, s. of Eleazer (3), b. 1754; wife unknown.

Ch.: Sylvester, bapt. April 17, 1776.
Lydia Moore, bapt. July 6, 1777.

PEABODY, Amos, 1783; from Lunenburg; whole family rem. to the "Holland Purchase," in an ox cart, about 1820.

He m. March 4, 1783, Relief, dau. Moses Dickinson.

Ch.: Ruth Cole, bapt. Oct. 15, 1786.
Samuel, bapt. Oct. 15, 1786.
Amos, bapt. Oct. 5, 1787, d. Aug. 20, 1787.
Relief, bapt. Oct. 5, 1788, m. Feb. 7, 1811, Thomas Higgins.
Prudence, bapt. July 31, 1791.
Elizabeth, bapt. Sept. 15, 1793.
Amos, bapt. Oct. 23, 1796.
Moses, } twins; bapt. Oct. 23, 1796.
Aaron, }
Consider.

PEABODY, Samuel, 1810.

PEASE, Noadiah, 1797.

PECK, Seth, 1788–90. He m. Elizabeth ——.

Ch.: Sarah, May 20, 1785.
Anna, Feb. 7, 1788.

PIERCE, William; captain; 1772–3.

PERKINS, Asa, 1804; d. Oct. 30, 1814.

He m. Dec. 30, 1802, Azubah, (Briggs,) wid. Thomas Elgar. She d. April 9, 1844.

Ch.: Harriet, Oct. 23, 1803, m. William Webster.

PERRY, Joseph, 1755; prob. from No. 4.

PERRY, Joseph, 1806–19; rem. to Vernon.

He m. Feb. 18, 1806, Sobriety, dau. Edward Nettleton.

Ch.: Cynthia, Nov. 9, 1806, m. Oct. 5, 1826, Hiram Doolittle.

1. PERRY, Noah; from Mendon about 1790; d. Feb. 20, 1836, a. 88.

He m. Annah Holbrook, who d. Jan. 14, 1826. (2), Aug. 24, 1826, Isabella Cass, who d. Oct. 15, 1841.

Ch.: Alexander, Nov. 23, 1773, d. Oct. 26, 1776.
Elkanah, April 17, 1775, d. Nov. 4, 1775.
Lois, Jan. 23, 1777, d. Oct. 11, 1777.
Noah, March 28, 1778 (2).
Stephen, Sept. 17, 1780, m. Susanna Bowman. (2), Harriet, dau. Elijah Stebbins.
Anner, Dec. 28, 1782.
Alexander, Jan. 16, 1785 (3).
Nancy, May 18, 1788, m. Jan. 3, 1811, Solomon Stebbins, Ver.
Moses, Aug. 8, 1790.
Sarah, July 25, 1793, m. April 26, 1815, George R. Stebbins.
Lyman, June 28, 1795.

2. Noah, s. of Noah (1), b. 1778; d. Feb. 22, 1830.

He m. Caroline, dau. Jonathan Janes; after the death of her husband, she rem. with ch. to Boston.

Ch.: Henry A., March 22, 1816; sett. in New York city.
Charles, June 17, 1817; sett. in Boston.
Samuel, Nov. 13, 1818; sett. in Boston.
Lois, Jan. 26, 1820, d. young.
George, May, 9, 1823; sett. in Boston.

3. Alexander, s. of Noah (1), b. 1785; rem. to Ver.; d. Sept. 15, 1856.

He m. Rachel Fisher, who d. Aug. 24, 1855, a. 77.

Ch.: Mary C., June 10, 1808, m. March 31, 1835, Lorenzo Brown, of Vernon.
Nathan F., Nov. 19, 1809, d. s. p. Feb. 22, 1840.

1. PETTY, John; rem. from Wind. to Spfd.; d. March 6, 1680.

He m. at Boston, March 30, 1662, Ann Canning. She m. (2), Sept. 5, 1681, Samuel Owens.

Ch.: James, b. at Winds., May 25, 1662, m. June 15, 1683, Mercy Lawton; sol., 1688.
Hannah, b. at Spfd., Nov. 9, 1666, d. young.
John, Dec. 11, 1667, m. April 13, 1693, Mercy Taylor.
Mary, March 27, 1670, m. Dec. 29, 1687, Thomas Taylor, of Spfd.
Joseph, Sept. 29, 1672 (2).
Ann, May 19, 1675.
Child, June 27, 1677, d. unbap.
Ebenezer, Oct. 9, 1678.

2. Joseph, s. of John (1), b. 1672; sol. in the garrison at Nfd., 1688; then of Spfd.; sol. at Dfd., 1698, and in the Pomroy Pursuit; of Dfd., 1704, where he with wife, was taken cap.; both were redeemed, prob. by John Sheldon, on his first expedition to Canada, in 1705; rem. to Coventry, Ct., about 1708; was at Nhn. as early as 1718, where he d. about 1746.

He m. Feb. 14, 1701, Elizabeth Edwards, who d. Feb. 18, 1702. (2), June 2, 1703, Sarah Edwards, who d. Oct. 4, 1754.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Feb. 11, 1702.
Sarah, April 14, 1707, m. 1727, Asahel Stebbins.
Joseph (3).

3. Joseph, s. of Joseph (2); was in the scout under Capt. Eleazar Melvin, which was attacked by Indians, May 31, 1748. Petty, wounded, and unable to travel, was left by his companions beside a spring, under a hut made of boughs, with the injunction to "live if he could," until relief could reach him. Two days after, Capt. Phineas Stevens, with a party from Fort Dummer, made a search, but could find no trace of him. June 5, Lt. Hunt and fifteen men left Nfd., to visit the scene of the conflict, and were absent four days. On the govt. pay roll, they are called "the party that went to bury Sergt. Petty;" and the probability is, that his body was found and buried at that time.

He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Reuben, April 1, 1733, d. Aug. 9, 1734.
Hannah, Sept 21, 1734.
Elizabeth, Aug. 31, 1736, d. May 1, 1737.
Reuben, July 31, 1738 (4).
Joseph, June 20, 1740.

4. Reuben, s. of Joseph (3), b. 1738; sergeant; was taken prisoner at Ft. William Henry, Aug. 9, 1757; rem. to Warwick.

He m. Lydia ——.

Ch.: Pianna, June 16, 1762, m. Walter Field.
Lydia, Nov. 5, 1763, m. April 15, 1794, Enos Severance.
Joseph, Jan. 25, 1765.
Hannah, Sept. 26, 1766.
Onde, June 25, 1768.
Lucy, bapt. April 15, 1770.
Reuben, bapt. March 1, 1772.

"March 21, 1758, the aged widow Pettee, mother to John, and Ebenezer, deceased." [*Cb. rec.*]

1. PETTY, John, s. of "widow Pettee;" owned home lot, 1737; d. about 1748.

He m. Margaret ——; she rem. about 1760, to Westminster, Vt.

Ch.: John, March 30, 1734–5; sol. under Capt. Burk, 1760; at Westminster, Vt., under Capt. Azariah Wright, of the "Liberty Party," 1770.
Margaret, April 14, 1737.
Aaron, Jan. 26, 1738–9; under Capt. Burk, in exp. to C. Point, 1759.
Rachael, May 6, 1742.
Elizabeth, Nov, 19, 1744.

2. Ebenezer, br. to John (1); Nfd., 1721; d. 1748.

He m. Rebecca ——, who d. July 4, 1787, a. 85.

Ch.: Joseph, July 9, 1729 (3).
Submit, May 2, 1738, m. March 3, 1757, Daniel Gunn, Swanzey, N. H.
Sarah, Aug. 15, 1741.
Rebecca, May 1, 1745, d. Dec. 2, 1788, in Fairfield, Ct., where she went to have a surgical operation, for a cancer.

3. Joseph, s. of Ebenezer (2), b. 1729; d. Nov. 23, 1756.

He m. Nov. 19, 1751, Dorcas Rose.

Ch.: Dorcas, Aug. 3, 1752, m. July 4, 1775, Asahel Ripley, of Greenfield.
Hannah, March 15, 1774.
Ebenezer, March 15, 1756; Rev. sol.; at the sur. of Burgoyne; prob. m. Eunice, and rem. to Orange.

PHELPS, Elihu, about 1800; boat builder; a famous ballad singer; rem. to Montague about 1813.

He m. Elizabeth Beach.

Ch.: Elsworth; organ maker; sett. in New York.
Richard, Feb. 25, 1798; sett. in Mont.; m. a dau. of James Stewart, of that town.
Lyman, Feb. 27, 1800; sett. in Middletown, Ct.
Betsey, June 1, 1802; an organist; m. Clark Pratt, of Bratt.
Elihu, May 19, 1804, m. Sept. 1, 1822, Sylvia Twitchell.
Chloe, June 12, 1807, d. July 5, 1809.
Willard, Jan. 8, 1809.

1. PHELPS, Elihu; from Hebron, Ct., 1818.

He m. Lucy Waters. Order of birth of children unknown.

Ch.: Elihu (2).
Adeline, m. Albert Bass.
Hubbell; sett. in Troy; m. Abigail, wid. of his br. Elihu.
Melinda, m. Daniel Emerson, of Alstead, N. H.
Hubbard, May, 1800 (3).

2. Elihu, s. of Elihu (1); cooper and boat builder; suicide, by drowning at Troy, N. Y.

He m. Sept. 11, 1808, Abigail, dau. William Belcher; buried Dec. 7, 1822.

Ch.: William B., Sept. 24, 1812; scalded to death in a distillery, in Hins.
Elihu R., Feb. 7, 1815; sett. in Troy, N. Y.
John, Feb., 1817, d. Dec. 22, 1818.
Jonathan H., Nov. 16, 1819, d. young.
Charles E., Nov. 13, 1822; sett. in Troy.

3. Hubbard, s. of Elihu (1), b. 1800.

He m. Dec. 23, 1824, Eliza, dau. John Prindle. She d. March 23, 1873, a. 68.

Ch.: George H., March 6, 1825, m. Mary Howe.
Eli F., Nov. 8, 1826; sett. in Jefferson, Ind.
Abby, Jan. 28, 1828, m. Feb. 19, 1852, Asa A. Holton.
Martha, Dec. 23, 1833, d. May, 1870.
Eliza, Sept. 31, 1836, m. Dexter Ames, Marlboro, Vt.
Harriet, April 16, 1839, m. April 30, 1858, J. A. Barber.

PHILLIPS, Joseph, 1800–1.

PHILLIPS, Josiah, 1814.

PHILLIPS, Oliver, 1805.

PINKS, John, s. of Thomas, of Thetford, Eng.; b. July 25, 1755; was a tailor in Gen. Burgoyne's army, and cap. at Saratoga; when the captured army was sent home, he was absent at a farm house, working at his trade; he was in Nfd., 1781, where he kept a store; rem. about 1788, to Ber., where he kept tavern 4 years; rem. to Erving's Grant, and kept a *pike* tavern, at the gate, on the Boston turnpike; after that he kept tavern 2 years in Orange, and 3 years in Bolton; rem. to Gfd., about 1814, where he d. Feb. 21, 1834.

He m. Aug. 26, 1779, Joanna Wallis, of Barre, who d. April 4, 1785, a. 26. (2), Sarah, dau. Jonathan Chapin, of Spfd. She d. Oct. 1, 1841, a. 85.

Ch.: Sarah, Aug. 22, 1781, m. John Osborne, of Keene.
Nancy, March 28, 1783, d. unm.
Joanna, March 28, 1790, d. unm.
John, Jan. 22, 1792, m. Mary Sawtelle, of Bratt.
Thomas, Nov. 10, 1793, m. Mary, dau. Philip Ballard, of Gill.
Mehitable, Aug. 27, 1795, m. Oct. 5, 1825, Osias Nutting, of Dfd.
Jonathan C., Aug. 20, 1797, m. Esther Flint. He d. March 24, 1841.
Samuel H., April 12, 1800, d. unm. Mch. 20, 1842.

PIPER, Amos, 1808–12.

PIRTS, John; d. Aug. 20, 1747, a. 50.

PITTS, John; manufacturer of clothier's shears, 1783–9.

1. POMEROY, or PUMRY, Eltwed, Eltwood, Eldad, Edward,

Edowed; Dorchester, 1630; rem. to Wind., about 1636; and to Nhn. about 1672, where he d. the next year; wife unknown; d. 1655.

He m. (2), Lydia, (Brown,) wid. of Thomas Parsons.

Ch.: Mary, d. 1640.
John, d. 1647.
Eldad, d. unm. May 22, 1662.
Medad, bapt. Aug. 19, 1638 (2).
Caleb, bapt. March 6, 1642 (3).
Mary, April 21, 1644, d. before 1659.
Joshua, Nov. 22, 1646 (4).
Joseph, June 20, 1652 (5).

2. **Medad**, s. of Eltwed (1), b. 1638; blacksmith; one of the com. for resettling Dfd., 1680; clerk of proprietors of Nfd., and of Dfd.; town clerk Nhn., many years; rep. 6 years; deacon; d. Dec. 30, 1716.

He m. Nov. 21, 1661, Experience, dau. Henry Woodward. She d. June 8, 1686. (2), Sept. 8, 1686, Abigail, wid. Rev. Nathan Chauncy, dau. Elder John Strong. She d. April 15, 1704. (3), Jan. 24, 1705, Hannah, dau. William Warriner, wid. of Thomas Noble.

Ch.: John, Aug. 24, 1662, m. Mindwell Sheldon. He d. Jan. 23, 1686.
Joseph, Dec. 24, 1664, d. Feb. 16, 1665.
Mehitable, July 3, 1666, m. Nov. 4, 1686, Lieut. John King.
Ebenezer, May 30, 1669 (6).
Joseph, June 26, 1672; sett. in Suffield, Ct.; f. of Rev. Benj., of Hebron.
Medad, June 19, 1674, d. July 10, 1674.
Eliakim, Aug. 10, 1675, d. July 23, 1676.
Mindwell, July, 1677, m. June 3, 1696, Joseph King.
Thankful, May 31, 1679, m. Oct. 27, 1698, Benj. Lyman.
Mary, Feb. 15, 1684, m. Samuel Benton.
John, May 10, 1686.
Samuel, Sept. 16, 1687, m. Dec. 7, 1703, Joannah Root; clergyman; sett. in Newton, L. I.

3. **Caleb**, s. of Eltwed (1), b. 1642; Nhn.; d. Nov. 18, 1691.

He m. March 8, 1665, Hepzibah, dau. Jeffery Baker. She m. (2), Jan. 25, 1705, Walter Lee.

Ch.: Hepzibah, July 27, 1666, d. young.
Samuel, May 29, 1669, m. Elizabeth, dau. John French, of Nhn.
Abigail, Oct. 26, 1671.
Hepzibah, bapt. Jan. 19, 1673.
Ebenezer, March 15, 1673, d. 1699.
Caleb, May 3, 1677, d. 1690.
Eldad, Dec. 6, 1679, m. Dec. 20, 1705, Sarah Wait.
Hannah, July 4, 1682, m. July 7, 1702, Joseph Baker, of Windsor.
Mercy, Sept. 30, 1684, m. Dec. 9, 1708, Samuel Edwards.
Sarah, Aug. 6, 1687, m. June 21, 1709, Deliverance Church.

4. **Joshua**, s. of Eltwed (1), b. 1646; lieutenant; petr. for Nfd., 1671; sett. at Dfd., 1682, where he had a grant March 30, of 7 cow commons, and a 4 acre home lot; d. Oct. 16, 1689.

He m. Aug. 22, 1672, Elizabeth, dau. of Richard Lyman. She d. May 22, 1676. (2), Jan. 9, 1677, Abigail Cook, of Windsor. She m. (2), abt. 1691, David Hoyt, of Dfd.; both were cap. Feb. 29, 1704; Dea. Hoyt was starved at Cowass, but his wife was redeemed, and m. (3), Nathaniel Rice, of Wallingford, Ct.

Ch.: John, May 2, 1674, d. Nov. 2, 1674.
Joshua, Sept. 24, 1675; captured 1704, and redeemed.
Elizabeth, 1677, d. Nov. 15, 1688.
Nathaniel, March 9, 1680; killed at *Pomeroy's Island*, July 16, 1698, while in pursuit of a party of Indians, who had cap. two boys in Hatfield the day before. [*See ante*, p. 126.]
Abigail, July 23, 1682, d. Nov. 8, 1688.
Lydia, March 3, 1684; cap. 1704, but ret. and m. Nathaniel Ponder, of West.
Mary, March 5, 1685, m. Jan. 2, 1704, Samuel Benton.
John, March 27, 1687–8, d. June 3, 1691.

5. Joseph, s. of Eltwed (1), b. 1652; Wfd., 1685; Lebanon, Ct., 1700; rem. to Colchester, 1703.

He m. June 20, 1677, Hannah, dau. Richard Lyman.

Ch.: Joseph, Sept. 1, 1678, d. Nov. 26, 1678.
Hannah, Dec. 13, 1679, d. Jan. 7, 1680.
Elizabeth, Feb. 7, 1681, d. Aug. 20, 1683.
Abigail, Feb. 5, 1683.
Medad, Nov. 4, 1686.
John, July 11, 1688, d. Aug. 2, 1688.
Hannah, April 2, 1694.
Joseph.
Noah.
Sarah.

6. Ebenezer, s. of Medad (2), b. 1669; captain; blacksmith; commissioner to meet the Indians, at Albany, 1724.

He m. Sarah ——.

Ch.: Sarah, Nov. 22, 1693.
John, April, 1695 (7).
Ebenezer, Sept. 18, 1697, m. April 26, 1722, Elizabeth Hunt. She d. June 10, 1782, a. 83.
Sarah, Feb. 5, 1700, m. Dec. 12, 1721, Noah Wright. She d. April 3, 1777.
Simeon, Feb. 21, 1702.
Josiah, Dec. 29, 1703 (8).
Seth, May 20, 1706 (9).
Daniel, March 27, 1709, m. May 31, 1733, Mary Clap; killed at Lake George, Sept. 8, 1755, while on the "bloody morning scout."
Thankful, July 15, 1712.

7. John, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1695; captain; was a lieut. under Capt. Kellogg, at Fort Dummer, 1723–4; he d. April 22, 1774.

He m. May 29, 1718, Rachael, dau. Benjamin Sheldon.

Ch.: John, 1719; captain.
Elisha, 1720; captain.
Rachael, m. — Newell.
Ebenezer, May 1, 1723.
Oliver.
Simeon, 1726, d. young.
Elizabeth, Jan. 27, 1727–8, d. young.
Elizabeth, March 3, 1729.
Eunice, 1734, m. James Eason, of Litchfield, Ct.
Titus, 1736; sett. South Hadley.

8. Josiah, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1703; ensign.

He m. Lydia ——, who d. Dec. 19, 1772, a. 62.

Ch.: Adino? Sept. 22, 1732.
Eleazer, Oct. 17, 1734 (10).
Shammah, Oct. 24, 1736 (11).
Lucy, Feb. 15, 1739.
Josiah, July 21, 1741; Y. C., 1762; surgeon; m. July 5, 1774, Ann Allis, of Hfd.; sett. in Keene, N. H.
Eunice, Sept. 8, 1743.
Dorothy, Feb. 2, 1746.
Benjamin, March 16, 1748.
Jonathan, Feb. 29, 1749.

9. Seth, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1706; blacksmith; capt. of the snow shoe men, serving on the west frontier, 1744; major at the capture of Louisbourg, 1745; lieut. col. under Col. Williams, in the "bloody morning scout," and was the only field officer left alive in the reg.; was col. soon after; delegate to the provincial congress, 1774; gen. 1774; brig. gen., 1775, but fought bravely as a private at the battle of Bunker Hill. His appointment by Congress as senior brig. gen., causing some difficulty in settling questions of rank, he resigned this office; too patriotic to remain idle, he entered the service again, and d. in the army, at Peekskill, Feb. 19, 1777.

He m. Dec. 14, 1732, Mary, dau. Jonathan Hunt, of Nhn. She d. Sept. 11, 1777, a. 71.

Ch.: Seth, Sept. 26, 1733; Y. C., 1753.
Quartus, May 13, 1735; blacksmith; m. Phebe, dau. Benj. Sheldon. She d. May 30, 1776, a. 40. (2), Rachael —, who d. Nov. 18, 1826, a. 80. He d. Nov. 5, 1803.

Medad, about 1736 (12).
Lemuel, about 1737; sett. Southampton; 40 years in the leg.; d. 1819, a. 82.
Martha, Aug. 12, 1740.
Mary, Aug. 16, 1742.
Asahel, Dec. 1, 1749, m. Miriam —, who d. July 19, 1793, a. 41. (2), Hannah —, who d. Sept. 18, 1812, a. 58; kept the Warner tavern, Nhn.; d. March 22, 1833.

10. **Eleazer**, s. of Josiah (8), b. 1734; rem. from Sund. to Nfd., 1762; rem. to Chesterfield, N. H., 1773.

He m. Lydia ——.

Ch.: Martin, bapt. Jan. 23, 1763.
Lydia, bapt. Sept. 1, 1765.
Catherine, bapt. Sept. 20, 1767, "6th child."
Mehitable, Sept. 7, 1769, d. April 19, 1770.
Eleazer, bapt. March 17, 1771.

11. **Shammah**, s. of Josiah (8), b. 1736; saddler; Nfd., 1760; sol., 1757; d. July 8, 1818.

He m. April 11, 1765, Anna, dau. Nathaniel Mattoon. She d. Aug. 31, 1817, a. 73.

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Ch.: Sophia, Jan. 11, 1766, m. June 28, 1787, Obadiah Dickinson.
Chester, Jan. 20, 1768, m. Oct. 11, 1787, Catherine Smith; rem. to Newfane, Vt.
Anna, March 8, 1770, m. Nov. 3, 1793, Lucius Hubbard, of Chester, Vt.
Patty, July 13, 1772, m. July 1, 1795, Elijah Paine, of Ashfield.
Billy, June 6, 1776 (13).

12. **Medad**, s. of Seth (9), b. 1736; Y. C., 1757; doctor; Nfd., 1762; rem. to Warwick, 1769; and ret. in 1788; d. Oct. 28, 1819.

He m. Oct. 15, 1767, Sarah, dau. Capt. Sam. Hunt. She d. Oct. 30, 1832, a. 86.

Ch.: Medad, March 26, 1769, d. April, 1769.
Sarah, May 25, 1771, d. unm. Aug. 3, 1840.
Patty, Aug. 5, 1773, m. 1792, Barnabas Billings.
Mary Anna, July 9, 1775, d. May 1, 1793.
Medad, Aug. 11, 1777 (14).
Fanny, Jan. 5, 1780, m. William S. Lyman. She d. Aug. 23, 1813.
Seth, July 20, 1782, d. March 18, 1822.
Arad H., Jan. 15, 1785.
John, July 12, 1787; sett. in Bracksville, Ohio.

13. **Billy**, s. of Shammah (11), b. 1776; merchant; P. M.; rem. to Cambridge; a generous benefactor of the First Parish. [*See ante*, pp. 361–2.]

He m. Lucy, dau. Charles Bowen. She d. June 18, 1813, a. 29. (2). about 1816, Harriet Chapin, of Spfd., who d. Aug. 28, 1818, a. 29. (3), Chrissey Cushing, pub. April 25, 1819.

Ch.: Charles, April 24, 1805, d. Feb. 23, 1824.
William, June 13, 1807 (15).
Ann, March 20, 1809.
Lucretia, Feb. 1, 1811, m. June 5, 1833, Oren S. Keith, of Framingham, Nfd. and Cambridge.
Lucy B., Feb. 26, 1813, d. Aug. 13, 1813.
Francis, Aug. 4, 1818.

14. **Medad**, s. of Medad (12), b. 1777; d. June 14, 1847.

He m. Feb. 4, 1805, Jerusha, dau. Simeon Alexander. She d. Aug. 13, 1850, a. 65.

Ch.: Fanny, June 20, 1806, d. May 14, 1812.
Mary Ann, Jan. 10, 1808, m. Aug. 4, 1828, Wm. E. Russell, of Warwick.
Charles, Sept. 7, 1810, d. June 6, 1812.
Abby A., Sept. 16, 1815, m. Joseph Lathrop, Nhn.
Charles, July 14, 1818 (16).

15. **William**, s. of Billy (13), b. 1807; d. April 13, 1836.

He m. Dec. 6, 1830, Elizabeth Callender, who d. May 11, 1836, a. 25.

Ch.: Elizabeth C., Oct. 27, 1833.

16. **Charles**, s. of Medad (14), b. 1818.

He m. Aug. 28, 1844, Laura C., dau. Jonathan Connable, of Bernardston.

Ch.: Maryanna, Oct. 6, 1846.
Sarah H., Oct. 14, 1848, d. May 8, 1849.
Charles R., Oct. 7, 1850.
Laura L., Nov. 13, 1853.

PORTER, **James**; in the garrison at Nfd., 1722; under Kellogg, 1724–5. The following petition is preserved among the old MSS. at the State House: "James Porter, of Northfield, petitions, May, 1727. Being one of the soldiers, that in the year 1725, enlisted under the command of Capt. Thomas Wells, of Deerfield, on an expedition up the Conn. river, in the month of March, in pursuit of the Indian enemy; on our return, it was our bad hap to have our canoe overset, coming down a ledge of falls, when three of our canoe's company were drowned. Lt. Joseph Clesson, and Samuel Harmon, and myself, with great difficulty gained land." "Lost my gun, value £5, my blanket and all accouterment fitted for such an expedition." £5 allowed.

He m. Experience ——.

Ch.: Mary, Oct. 15, 1726.
James, April 21, 1728.
Sarah, July 29, 1730.
William, March 4, 1732.
Noah, May 6, 1734.
Nathan, April 16, 1736, d. July 28, 1742.

POTTER, **Ichabod**, 1788–91.

POTTER, **John**, 1802.

POWER, **Thomas**; b. in Boston, Oct. 8, 1786; grad. B. U., 1808; studied law with Judge Charles Jackson; adm. Suff. bar, 1811; rem. to Nfd., 1812. He was founder of the Social Library; to him Nfd. street is indebted very largely for her beautiful shade trees, many of which he set out with his own hand, in 1815; "remembered as a shrewd lawyer, and remarkable skater;" rem. to Boston, where he was clerk of the Police Court, with brief intermissions, from 1842, to 1860, when he rem. to Framingham. He was a poet and an accomplished musician; d. Sept. 9, 1868.

He m. June 8, 1813, Betsey Sampson, of Duxbury, b. Sept. 27, 1789.

Ch.: Thomas F., Aug. 25, 1817.
Charles J., April 11, 1824.
Elizabeth J., Dec. 29, 1827, d. June 11, 1832.

1. PRENTICE, or PRENTISS, **Thomas**; captain; Cambridge, 1650; was a famous partisan commander of a troop of horse, and served with distinction through Philip's war; rep. several years; d. July 6, 1710, a. 88.

He m. in England, Grace ——, who d. Oct. 9, 1692.

Ch.: Grace, b. in Eng., m. Nov. 27, 1667, Thomas Oliver.
Thomas, } Jan. 22, } (2).
Elizabeth, } 1650. } m. May 4, 1675, Thomas Aldrich, of Dedham.
Henry, d. June 4, 1654.
John, Feb. 2, 1654, d. March 10, 1654–5.
John, July 10, 1655, m. June 28, 1677, Elizabeth, dau. Edward Jackson.
Mary.
Hannah, 1661, d. 1738.

2. **Thomas**, s. of Thomas (1), b. 1650; had estate at death, in Newton, and Stonington, Ct.; d. April 19, 1685.

He m. March 20, 1676, Sarah, dau. Thomas Stanton, the famous Indian interpreter. She m. (2), William Dennison, of Stonington.

Ch.: Thomas, Jan. 13, 1677, m. Elizabeth Jackson.
Grace.
Samuel, about 1680 (3).
John, 1682; grad. H. C., 1700; sett. minister at Lancaster, March 29, 1708, d. 1748.

3. **Samuel**, s. of Thomas (2), b. about 1680; Stonington, Ct., 1710; d. April 24, 1728.

He m. Esther, dau. Nathaniel Hammond, of Newton.

Ch.: Samuel, Nov. 25, 1702.
Praise, Jan. 26, 1705.
Mary, April 12, 1708.
Jonas, Sept. 28, 1710 (4).
Esther, Dec. 12, 1713, m. Christopher Palmer.
Oliver; clergyman.
Eunice Dec. 8, 1717.
Thomas, Oct. 25, 1719.
Dorothy, Dec. 13, 1723.

4. **Jonas**, s. of Samuel (3), b. 1710; Stonington, Ct.; d. June, 1766.

He m. Nov. 29, 1733, Lucy, dau. Daniel Dennison.

Ch.: Mary, Sept. 6, 1734, m. Capt. John Swan, of Stonington.
Samuel, Oct. 4, 1736 (5).
Esther, Sept. 1, 1738.
Daniel, Jan. 7, 1740.
Thomas, April 7, 1743.
Nathan, May 4, 1745.
Lucy, May 22, 1747, m. Capt. Thomas Wheeler. She d. 1792.

5. **Samuel**, s. of Jonas (4), b. 1736; col. of a reg. during the Rev. war, through which he served; d. 1807.

He m. Phebe Billings.

Ch.: Samuel, 1759 (6).
Lucinda, m. Jan. 19, 1786, Dr. Elijah Herrick, of Buffalo, N. Y.
Betsey.
Nancy.
Sally, m. David Moore.
Rebecca, 1765, d. Jan. 27, 1786.
Phebe, 1769, d. June 20, 1786.

6. **Samuel**, s. of Samuel (5), b. 1759; served as surgeon in his father's reg, in Rev. army; sett. in Worcester at the close of the war; rem. to Nfd. early in 1786, where he had a large practice in surgery, until his death, Dec. 3, 1818.

He m. Lucretia, dau. Capt. John Holmes, of Stonington. She d. Sept. 20, 1841, a. 83.

Ch.: Jabez; ship master in Newbern, N. C.; d. 1812.
Samuel, March 31, 1782 (7).
John H., about 1785 (8).
Henry; sett. in Rome, N. Y.
Francis, d. in Boston, at the age of 21 yrs.
William A., d. an infant, June 6, 1793.
Elizabeth, d. of small pox, at the age of 7.
Lucretia, 1796, d. March 10, 1817.
William A., March 24, 1800 (9).

7. **Samuel**, s. of Samuel (6), b. 1782; LL.D., D. C., 1832; studied law with Solomon Vose; rem. to Montpelier, Vt., 1803; rep. state leg. 2 years; U. S. senator 12 years; ch. justice Supreme Court of Vermont, 5 years; U. S. district judge from 1842 until his death, Jan. 15, 1857.

He m. Oct. 3, 1804, Lucretia, dau. Edward Houghton.

Ch.: George H., June 25, 1805; lieut. U. S. A.; d. Sept. 3, 1833.
Samuel B., Jan. 23, 1807, m. April 15, 1851, Jane A. Russell; lawyer in Cleavland, Ohio.
Edward H., Dec. 28, 1808.
Jane H., Feb. 10, 1811.
Charles W., Oct. 18, 1812; D. C., 1832.
Henry F., Nov. 27, 1814.
Frederick J., Oct. 18, 1816.
Theodore, Sept. 10, 1818; lawyer; Watertown, Wis.
Joseph A., Aug. 31, 1820; lawyer; in co. with his father.
Augustus, Feb. 16, 1822.
Lucretia, Jan. 13, 1823.
James, July 19, 1824; grad. U. of Vt.; lawyer; in co. with br. Theodore.

8. **John H.**, s. of Samuel (6), b. about 1785; learned printing with Hon. John Prentiss, of Keene, N. H.; 40 years editor of the *Freeman's Journal*, at Cooperstown, N. Y.; colonel; M. C., 1837 to 1841; d. June 28, 1861.

He m. Jan. 18, 1815, Catherine C. Morris, grand dau. of Robert, the signer declaration independence. She d. June 28, 1818. (2), June 3, 1828, Milla Shankland, dau. Thomas.

Ch.: Mary M., Aug. 16, 1816, m. Cyrus Strong.
Catherine L., June 23, 1817, m. John C. Dodge, Chicago, Ill.
Alexander S., 1829; grad. Hamilton Coll.; lawyer; at Chicago.
John H., 1831; merchant at Cooperstown.
Rachael A., 1833.
Charlotte O., 1837.

9. William A., s. of Samuel (6), b. 1800; rem. to Jericho, Vt., in 1824, where he was chn. of selectmen and overseers of the poor 8 years, and rep. 1829; in 1836 he rem. to Milwaukie, which then contained but 50 families; the next year he received a commission as justice of the peace, with civil and criminal jurisdiction over what now comprises five large counties; this office he held until the organization of the state govt., in 1848; was elected in 1837, chn. of a board of commissioners, which had control of all county matters over the same territory, which he held until a new system was adopted; he was from the first prominent in the government of the village, town, and city of Milwaukie; a member of the council 15 years, and mayor, 1858; was 4 years in the territorial, and 2 years in the state, leg. It is said of him that he "never solicited a nomination for either of these offices," and that he "never gave a vote, or did an official act, contrary to his convictions of duty."

He m. Sept. 11, 1833, Eliza Sands, of Saco, Me. She d. Feb. 6, 1857.

Ch.: Helen E., Aug. 25, 1834.
William A., March 25, 1836, d. May 24, 1872.
Sarah E., March 18, 1838.
Charlotte E., Jan. 4, 1840, d. May 19, 1872.
George E., Nov. 20, 1842.
James S., Sept. 20, 1844.

PRESBY, Samuel; sett. over the Second Unitarian Society, 1828; dis., 1829.

1. PRESSON, Lemuel, 1799; from Dummerston, Vt.; a Rev. sol.; d. Dec. 12, 1820, a. 67.

He m. —— Hildreth. (2), March 25, 1788, wid. Anna (Lawton) Temple, who d. about 1855, a. about 97.

Ch.: Samuel, 1784, m. Susan Thomas.
Lemuel, 1785, m. Betsey Burnham.
Submit, 1787, m. prob. Jacob Esty.
John, 1789, m. Eliza, dau. John M. Field; rem. to Warwick.
Aaron, } June 27, } (2).
Esther, } 1791. } m. Benjamin Dennis.
Emerson, 1793, m. Polly Brooks; sett. in Palermo, N. Y.
Hannah, 1793, m. Jan. 5, 1813, Otis French.
Mary, 1795, m. Leonard Smith.
Betsey, 1796, m. — Greenwood.
Joseph, Nov. 17, 1798; clergyman; sett. in New York.
Sally, Dec. 31, 1800, m. George Smith.
Philana, Aug. 30, 1803, m. Ebenezer Dennis.

2. Aaron, s. of Lemuel (1), b. 1791; d. Jan. 11, 1872.

He m. Achsah, dau. John French, of Hollis, N. H. She d. Dec. 9, 1859, a. 67.

Ch.: George W., May 25, 1810, m. Fanny Bishop.
Susan M., June 27, 1812, m. Dwight W. Nash, of Amherst.
William B., Sept. 16, 1813, m. Sarah Spencer, of Ill.
Jonathan L., Jan. 29, 1815 (3).
John E., Dec. 3, 1816; doctor; sett. in Salem, N. J.
Aaron O., May 26, 1818; sett. in Addison, N. Y.
Achsah L., June 3, 1821, m. S. A. Stockwell.
Emily L., July 25, 1824.
Charles B., May 22, 1826; cap. at battle Wilderness; d. in Salisbury prison.

3. Jonathan L., s. of Aaron (2), b. 1815.
He m. April 11, 1848, Jane R., dau. John Stearns, Hinsdale.

Ch.: Dwight L., Jan. 28, 1851, m. April 10, 1873, Carrie M. Stratton.
John A., Sept. 17, 1854.
Pitts W., Aug. 15, 1856.
Lucy J., Nov. 1, 1859.

PRESCOTT, Abel H., 1818.

PRIEST, Calvin, 1797; from Harvard; had saw mill on Keup brook.
He m. Oct. 6, 1798, Susanna Wesson, of Athol.

Ch.: Willard.
Calvin, m. Dec. 17, 1825, Clymena A. Gould.
Avery, m. Elvira, dau. Oliver Field.
Susanna.
Order of birth uncertain.

1. PRIEST, Nathan; Harvard; d. 1804, a. 68.
He m. Mary Bacon. She m. (2), Nathan Frary, of Dfd.; d. his wid., Dec. 25, 1842, a. 82.

Ch.: Nathan, d. young.
Mary, d. in Sund., at 16 years.
Solomon, disappeared at 19 years old.
Lucretia, d. in Dfd. at 19.
Nancy, d. young.
Nathan, June 24, 1792 (2).
Sarah, m. March 29, 1824, Daniel Darling.
Elizabeth, m. March 4, 1819, John Holton.

2. Nathan, s. of Nathan (1), b. 1792; Nfd., 1818; living, 1874.
He m. Polly, dau. Stephen Gunn, of Sund. She d. June 19, 1854, a. 64.

Ch.: Mary L., Dec. 31, 1819, m. A. R. Kingsley.
Caroline, Feb. 12, 1822, d. Sept. 17, 1823.
Nathan A., May 18, 1824, d. Aug. 29, 1849.
Caroline S., Aug. 20, 1826.
James E., Aug. 11, 1829, m. Jan. 7, 1862, Susan M. Caldwell.
Dwight S., Aug. 28, 1832, m. June 25, 1857, S. Elvira King.

1. PRINDLE, Nathan; from Westbury, Ct., about 1774; ferryman; sol. of '76; d. July 8, 1837, a. 97.
He m. Hannah ——, who d. Oct. 10, 1783. (2), Sept. 15, 1785, wid. Elizabeth Clendenen. She d. Nov. 9, 1821.

Ch.: Polly, 1770, d. Nov. 26, 1788; pub. to Joel Goss, Nov. 1, 1788.
Sarah, 1774.
John, May 4, 1776 (2).
Ruby, Sept. 28, 1780, d. May 3, 1796.
Hannah L., Feb. 6, 1783.
Nathan, July 22, 1786 (3).

2. John, s. of Nathan (1), b. 1776; d. Nov. 27, 1822, a. 47.
He m. July 22, 1802, Esther Page, who d. July 17, 1852, a. 72.

Ch.: Ruby, May 19, 1803, m. Jacob Moody.
Eliza A., Aug. 31, 1804, m. Dec. 23, 1824, Hubbard Phelps.
Charlotte, Oct. 12, 1805.
Martha, Sept. 7, 1807.
Mary, Dec. 20, 1808.
Lucretia, May 19, 1810.
Harriet, Aug. 19, 1811.
Hannah, March 16, 1814.
John F., March 5, 1816.
Tryphena, Aug. 22, 1822, d. Aug. 27, 1823.

3. Nathan, s. of Nathan (1), b. 1786; d. May 15, 1857.
He m. Betsey Fowler, who d. March 17, 1850, a. 53.

Ch.: Thomas C., Aug. 15, 1816.
Betsey, Dec. 10, 1817.
Roswell H., Sept. 18, 1819, d. Jan. 15, 1853.
James D., June 17, 1821; in Faneuil Hall Market, Boston.
Lydia, April 8, 1823.
John R., June 21, 1825.

1. PRIOR, Isaac, b. 1742; he was a descendant of Humphry Prior, a first sett. of Winds., but his immediate ancestors are not ascertained; he d. at Enfield, Ct.

He m. Dec. 6, 1764, Beulah Parsons, who d. April 18, 1814, a. 70.

Ch.: Beulah, May 17, 1769, m. Nov. 13, 1788, Simeon Chapin, who sett. in Enfield.
Anna, April 2, 1773, m. Horace King, of Suffield.
Isaac, Feb. 14, 1775 (2).
Betsey, May 20, 1777, m. June 2, 1796, Isaac Meacham, of Enfield.
Lovicy, Oct. 1, 1779, m. Jan. 21, 1801, Jabez Parsons, who sett. in Nfd.
Nathaniel, Jan. 4, 1782, m. Rebecca Burt, of Long Meadow, who d. Feb. 27, 1842; he m. (2), Oct. 10, 1842, Mary King; he d. Nov. 2, 1846.
Mary, Jan. 1, 1785, m. — Hale.
Horace, Aug. 18, 1788.

2. Isaac, s. of Isaac (1), b. 1775, in Enfield, Ct., where he was a school teacher; rem. to Nfd., 1806, and became a business partner of William Pomroy, and Charles Bowen; he was also connected with the firm of Wm. Putnam & Co., of Boston; rep. 1831–2; his son Isaac, in a letter containing an affectionate tribute to the memory of his father, says of him: "Of inflexible integrity, he strove to be just to all, had no eager desire to accumulate wealth, at the expense of others, and would never exact more than the legal rate of interest, however great the temptation, or undoubted the security; deliberate in forming an opinion, tolerant of the opinions of others, he abhored partisan, political, religious, or personal contentions; when differences occurred in business transactions, he was always in favor of 'leaving it out,' before 'going to law.' His whole life was exemplary, as a Christian, and as a member of society." An anecdote is told of him, illustrating his kindness to animals. He worshiped with the Methodists, on the mountain, some 4 miles from home, where he attended service every Sunday; for the day meeting he would drive out with his horse and carriage, but for the evening meeting he would go out on foot, leaving his horse at home to rest; he d. Sept. 11, 1832.

He m. March 3, 1806, Roxanna, dau. Caleb Stebbins, of Wilbraham. She d. March 24, 1840.

Ch.: Isaac Newton, Dec. 4, 1806 (3).
Mary, Feb. 2, 1808, m. Sept. 12, 1826, Rev. Wm. K. Talbot, of Athol. She d. July 21, 1834.
Warren, Dec. 21, 1811 (4).

3. Isaac N., s. of Isaac (2), b. 1806; rem from Nfd. to Hart., 1821; to New Haven, 1837, and to Washington, D. C., 1853, where he is employed in the pension office.

He m. Aug. 20, 1833, Susan D., dau. Dr. Christopher Swan Avery. She d. Aug. 31, 1839, a. 25. (2), April 23, 1845, Sarah A., dau. Isaac English, of New Haven, Ct.

Ch.: Mary Brewster, Aug. 31, 1834, d. June 2, 1873.
William English, Sept. 6, 1846, d. Dec. 7, 18—.
Maria Louisa, Oct. 8, 1848.
Catherine Stebbins, July 23, 1851.
Walter English, April 24, 1856, d. July 30, 1856.

4. Warren, s. of Isaac (2), b. 1811; deacon; has lived in Middletown, Ct., and New York city; rem. to Fayettville, N. C., 1833.

He m. March 29, 1837, Louisa W., dau. John McIntyre, of Fayettville.

Ch.: John Newton, May 4, 1838, m. Hattie M. Fonda; lives in New York city.
Warren, April 22, 1840, d. Feb. 9, 1852.
Louisa E., March 22, 1842, d. Oct. 5, 1847.
Francis S., Dec. 16, 1843, d. Oct. 5, 1846.

Mary, Oct. 19, 1845, d. Feb. 7, 1847.
Ellen R., Oct. 2, 1847, m. Jan. 3, 1867, Thomas S. Atkins, b. in Eng.; clerk of the U. S. District Court; lives in Richmond, Va.
William, Dec. 16, 1849; living in N. Y. city.
Warren Stebbins, May 4, 1852, living in N. Y. city.
Eliza Robinson, Aug. 25, 1854.
Robert Morrison, Oct. 31, 1858.
Jackson Lee, June 20, 1861.

PROUTY, Francis, 1765.

1. PURPLE, Ezra; Bernardston; b. Jan. 16, 1747; d. July 22, 1815. He m. Mary Pentfield, b. March 15, 1752; d. Nov. 1, 1831.

Ch.: Lucy, Nov. 22, 1775, d. Feb. 11, 1779.
Lucy, Feb. 16, 1776, m. Jonathan Smead, Greenfield.
Polly, Aug. 25, 1778, m. Wm. Newcomb, of Bernardston.
Ezra, Sept. 19, 1780 (2).
John, Feb. 16, 1783, m. Rachael, dau. Dr. Polycarpus Cushman.
Nancy, Feb. 22, 1786, m. Smith Hodges.
Hatsell, July 25, 1788 (3).
Roswell, Sept. 5, 1790, m. Mary Robbarts.
Chester, Feb. 25, 1793, d. Aug. 18, 1794.
Sally, March 11, 1795, m. Smith Hodges; his 2d wife.

2. Ezra, s. of Ezra (1), b. 1780; d. Nov. 6, 1852. He m. Nov. 12, 1812, Clarissa Smead, who d. Nov. 4, 1842.

Ch.: Jonathan Smead, Dec. 4, 1813, m. Jan. 18, 1871, Mary E. Huse, of Framingham.
Emeline C., Oct. 31, 1815, m. Oct. 25, 1836, Arad Hunt, of Bainbridge, N. Y. (2), Sept., 1846, M. W. Seely.
Josephine M., Feb. 28, 1818, d. May 4, 1818.
Josephine M., Aug. 17, 1820, m. Nov. 1, 1842, Josiah D. Canning, of Gill.
Ezra O., Nov. 21, 1822, d. s. p. Dec. 9, 1873.
Sarah E., March 28, 1828, m. June 11, 1856, Dr. Saml. Hart, of Marietta, O.

3. Hatsell, s. of Ezra (1), b. 1788; kept tavern in Gill; sheriff; rep.; d. Oct. 15, 1835. He m. April 3, 1810, Elizabeth Green, who d. Nov. 25, 1757, a. 70.

Ch.: Nelson, Jan. 3, 1811 (4).
Samuel B., June 29, 1813, m. Jane A. Thomas.
Mary M., Jan. 15, 1815, m. S. J. Lyons.
John N., July 30, 1816, m. Eliza Hamilton.
Sarah S., Aug. 19, 1819, m. Dec., 1840, Whitby Foster.
Rosanna E., March 30, 1821, m. George Cowdery.
Hatsell C., Feb. 3, 1825, m. Sarah Rockwood.
Martha M., Dec., 1826, m. Daniel G. Field.

4. Nelson W., s. of Hatsell (2), b. 1811; sett. in Nfd. He m. April 25, 1832, Louisa, dau. Horace Holton.

Ch.: George B., Jan. 23, 1833, d. Dec. 9, 1834.
Elizabeth, July 18, 1835.
Georgiana L., April 3, 1838.
Charles N., Sept. 23, 1844.

RANDAL, Rufus, 1789.

RANSOM, Daniel; Rev. sol., 1779.

RANSOM, John; from Lyme, Ct., about 1768.

Ch.: Stephen, bapt. Jan. 18, 1778.

RANSOM, Mathew; sol. under Capt. Thomas Alexander, 1778.

1. READ, Isaac, b. 1754; from Taunton, 1818; after 8 months service in the Rev. army, in a N. H. reg., re-enlisted in the spring of 1777, for three years, under Capt. James Cooper, Col. Bradford's reg., Mass. line; enlisted 1781, for another three years, and remained to the close of the war; rem. to West Troy, about 1833, where three married daus. lived; but ret. to Nfd., 1838.

He m. Bethia ——, who d. bet. 1833, and 1838, a. about 72.

Ch.: James (2).
Sophia, 1809, and per. the following.
Charles, tax 1815–17.
Barzillai, tax 1817.
Moses, tax 1812–17.
Isaac, tax 1815–19.

2. James, s. of Isaac (1). He m. Clarissa ——.

Ch.: Sibyl M., Nov. 16, 1808.
Bethia A., July 29, 1810.
James, March 7, 1812.
Clarissa, Nov. 13, 1814, d. Oct. 22, 1822.
John S., Aug. 12, 1815.
Samuel H., Aug. 13, 1817, d. April, 1843.
Thomas F., July 9, 1834.

RICE, Paul, 1796–1813; wife unknown.

Ch.: Nabby, bapt. Jan. 10, 1796.
Nancy, bapt. Aug. 20, 1797.

RICE, Silas; from Warwick; 1790–1805; wife unknown.

Ch.: Emory, bapt. July 1, 1792.
Benjamin, bapt. Oct. 6, 1793.

RICHARDS, Daniel, 1801.

RICHARDSON, Amos; from Packersville, N. H.; March 10, 1813, sold one-half of house, to Asa Richardson.

RICHARDSON, Augustus, 1815.

RICHARDSON, Asa, 1813.

He m. Mehitable ——. In will, dated Nov. 28, 1815, he gave the church in Nelson, N. H., $33.33, and $50, to Caroline Hurlburt, of Nfd.

RICHARDSON, Jonathan, 1786–9.

RICHARDSON, Nathaniel, 1790–91.

RICHARDSON, Thomas, 1770–1; from Cheshire, N. H.

RISLEY, David, s. of David, of Glastenbury, Ct.; Nfd., 1760; rem. to Gfd., and later to Bernardston.

He m. Oct. 25, 1764, Hannah, dau. Ebenezer Severance.

Ch.: Joseph, bapt. Nov. 10, 1765.
Hannah, bapt. Jan., 1767.
Jonathan, bapt. Jan. 19, 1769.
David, bapt. July 14, 1771; sett. in Gill.
Sylvanus, bapt. Sept. 7, 1774.
Obed, June 12, 1776.
Mary, Jan. 31, 1781.
Rufus, Aug. 8, 1782.
Philana, Feb. 15, 1786.
Calvin, bapt. March 7, 1788.

RIPLEY, Franklin, 1814–16; D. C., 1809; lawyer; rem. to Gfd.; cashier Gfd. bank; d. June 9, 1860, a. 71.

He m. Dec. 18, 1814, Charlotte C., dau. John Barrett.

Ch.: Franklin, Sept. 17, 1815, d. young.
Martha B., May 16, 1817.
Mary S., Oct. 7, 1819.
Sarah F., March 12, 1823.
Franklin, Jan. 10, 1824.
Barrett, Sept. 26, 1827.
George, July 29, 1833.

ROBBARTS, Amaziah, s. of Amaziah, of Winch.; b. about 1748; Nfd., 1769–81.

He m. Nov. 9, 1775, Lydia, dau. Ebenezer Warner.

ROBBINS, Aaron, 1764; Rev. sol., 1777; killed by Indians at "Nashobee, on Otter Creek," Nov. 22, 1780, while on a hunting expedition, with his brother George, who was also killed.

He m. Sept. 27, 1770, Mary, dau. Samuel Holton. She m. (2), July 18, 1782, Noah Morgan. (3), April 8, 1818, Selah Chapin.

Ch.: Elihu, Sept. 6, 1771, m. Patty White; he was killed by being thrown from a wagon.
Aurelia, Dec. 20, 1772, m. Silas Burnham, of Montague.
Joanna, Sept. 8, 1774, m. John White.
Henry, Nov. 14, 1776; sett. in Lyme, N. H.; living in 1873.
Nabby, Nov. 9, 1778, m. Dec. 2, 1805, Thomas Rockwood, Jr.

1. ROBBINS, Asa, b. 1764; d. Sept. 29, 1843.

He m. Abigail White, who d. ——. (2), prob. Sept. 8, 1831, Esther, wid. of Nathaniel Stratton.

Ch.: Lovicy, June 29, 1786.
Betsey, June 25, 1788, m. July 4, 1810, Asahel A. Hawks.
George, July 12, 1791 (2).
Jonathan, Jan 9, 1793 (3).
Fanny, Dec. 30, 1795, m. — Murdock.
Rhoda, May 27, 1798.
Asa, July 7, 1801, m. Jan. 21, 1825, Loving Collar.
Horace, May 16, 1805, m. — Clark.

2. George, s. of Asa (1), b. 1791.

He m. Dec. 27, 1815, Abigail Collar.

Ch.: Ezra, Dec. 6, 1816, m. — Parkman.
Leonard, Nov. 26, 1823, m. Mary —.
Mary, June 7, 1826.
Hezekiah, Jan. 28, 1828.

3. Jonathan, s. of Asa (1), b. 1793; d. Feb. 18, 1853.

He m. Jan. 29, 1817, Nancy Collar; d. March 5, 1841, a. 44. (2), Ermina Holden. She m. (2), Oliver Greenleaf.

Ch.: Elvira, Sept. 17, 1817.
Lovicy, March 12, 1819, m. Ansel Collar.
Washington, Oct. 21, 1821.
George, Feb. 15, 1825, d. May 6, 1831.
Amanda M., June 6, 1830.

ROBBINS, George; sol. at No. 4, 1757, and Rev. sol., 1779; killed with his br. Aaron, Nov. 22, 1780.

ROBBINS, John, 1804; first wife unknown.

He m. (2), Feb. 26, 1801, Catherine, wid. of John Tiffany, dau. Rufus Field.

Ch.: Bethia, Aug. 17, 1791, m. April 24, 1811, Rodolphus Lyman.
Lydia, m. Joseph Parmenter.
John, m. Sarah Fisher.
Amanda, Feb. 3, 1802, m. William L. Morgan.
Catherine, July 9, 1809, d. young.
Miriam, April 12, 1811, m. — Sanborn.
Charlotte, Feb. 28, 1815, m. — Wheelock.

ROBBINS, Jonathan, 1764; Rev. sol., 1776.

ROBBINS, Moses, b. in Nfd., 1759; served in Rev. army in 1780, in the co. of Capt. Coney; in 1781, served under Capt. Oliver Shattuck; was present when Andre was hung; rem. to Leicester, 1792, where he d. May 22, 1839.

He m. April 15, 1788, Thirza, dau. William Dodge, of Brandon, Vt.

Ch.: Infant, d. young.
Child, 1791.
Walter, 1810; sett. in Leicester.

1. **ROOT, JOHN**, b. in Eng. Feb. 26, 1608; Farmington, Ct., 1640; d. Aug. 16, 1684.

He m. Mary, dau. Thomas Kilbourne. She d. 1697, a. 78.

Ch.: John, about 1642, m. Oct. 18, 1664, Mary, dau. Robert Ashley.
Samuel, about 1644; deacon, of Wethersfield; d. Nov. 27, 1711.
Thomas, about 1648 (2).
Mary, about 1650, m. about 1669, Isaac Bronson, of Waterbury, Ct.
Stephen, m. Sarah, dau. John Wadsworth, of Hart.; sett. in Farmington.
Susanna, m. Oct., 1683, Joseph Langdon. She d. Dec. 5, 1712.
Joseph, m. Sept. 17, 1691, Elizabeth Warner. (2), May 5, 1727, wid. Ruth (Porter) Smith.
Caleb, m. Aug. 9, 1693, Elizabeth, dau. Thomas Salmon, of Wfd.

2. **THOMAS**, s. of John (1); Farmington, Ct., and Wfd.; d. Aug. 16, 1709.

He m. 1670, Mary Gridley, who d. 1673. (2), Oct. 7, 1675, Mary Spencer, who d. Nov. 4, 1690. (3), Sept. 25, 1692, Sarah, wid. Josiah Leonard, dau. John Dumbleton.

Ch.: Thomas, Sept. 1, 1671, d. Feb. 25, 1689.
Mary, Oct. 21, 1673, m. Dec. 12, 1700, Isaac Meacham.
John, Dec. 25, 1676 (3).
Samuel, Feb. 16, 1699, m. June 27, 1711, Sarah Warner; sett. in Westfield.
Elizabeth, Feb. 16, 1681, m. 1705, Nathaniel Bancroft.
Sarah, July 27, 1683, m. — Wright.
Timothy, Dec. 3, 1685, m. 1710, Sarah, dau. John Pease, of Enfield, Ct.
Joseph, June 16, 1688; ensign.
Thankful, } Nov. 12, }
Mercy, } 1693. } d. young.

3. **JOHN**, s. of Thomas (2), b. 1676; lieutenant; Wfd.; d. Oct. 1, 1744.

He m. April 14, 1703, Mary, dau. Josiah Leonard. She d. May 3, 1766.

Ch.: Elisha, Feb. 28, 1703–4, m. April 22, 1730, Mary Scott.
John, Nov. 15, 1705, m. Dec. 13, 1753, Ann Loomis.
Elizabeth, July 26, 1707, d. June 19, 1736.
Daniel, April 23, 1710.
David, Feb. 15, 1711, m. May 29, 1744, Elizabeth Pomeroy.
Samuel, Nov. 2, 1713 (4).
Lydia, March 14, 1715, m. Aug. 17, 1748, Ebenezer Hutchinson, Nhn.
Solomon, Nov. 17, 1716, m. June 16, 1743, Mary Church, Westfield.
Naomi, June 19, 1718, m. 1748, Daniel Hibbard.
Stephen, June 2, 1720, d. 1744.
James, Dec. 1, 1721, m. March 26, 1751, Hannah Noble.
Hewett, July 6, 1724, m. May 12, 1744, Experience Pomroy, of Sfd. (2), Oct. 12, 1777, Bathsheba Sackett, of Wfd.; kept tavern at Great Barrington, for many years.
Mary, Jan. 26, 1727, m. Dec., 1755, Nicholas Brown.

4. **SAMUEL**, s. of JOHN (3), b. 1713; Nfd., 1744–1782; deacon; sol. at Fort Dummer, 1735–9; hatter.

He m. Mary, dau. Joseph Alexander, who d. April 14, 1796, a. 84.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Sept. 18, 1739, m. Nov. 11, 1772, Elijah Ranney, of Westminster, Vt.
Mary, Oct. 8, 1740, m. July 20, 1762, Judge Benj. Burt, of Westminster.
Azubah, March 8, 1741–2, m. Aug. 13, 1773, Silas Field.
Timothy, July 27, 1743; lieutenant (5).
Elihu, Jan. 27, 1744–5 (6).
Samuel, Aug. 23, 1747; sett. in Bratt.; an active "Yorker."
Moses, Nov. 3, 1750, m. Jan. 28, 1783, Levina, dau. Capt. Thomas Alexander; rem. about 1797, to Linden, Vt.; sol. of '76.
Naomi, June 25, 1752, m. Dec. 21, 1791, Capt. David Eaton, Westminster.

5. **TIMOTHY**, s. of Samuel (4), b. 1743; deacon; sett. in Guilford, Vt.; was a prominent partisan of New York, in the New Hampshire grants

troubles; commissioned lieutenant by New York, 1776; d. Dec. 12, 1843, a. 100 years.

He m. June 22, 1773, Mary, dau. Joseph Stebbins. She d. Oct. 14, 1774, a. 27.

6. **Elihu**, s. of Samuel (4), b. 1745; sol. of '76; rem. to Guilford about 1783.

He m. June 29, 1775, Thankful, dau. Joseph Stebbins. She d. April 19, 1776, a. 30.

Ch.: Jesse S. bapt. July 7, 1776.

1. ROOT, **Thomas**, s. of John, b. in England, Jan. 16, 1605; weaver; of Salem, 1637; Hart., 1639; Nhn., 1654; was one of the seven pillars for the foundation of the church there, in 1661; an engager for Nfd., 1672, and sett. 1673; d. at Nhn., July 17, 1694; wife unknown.

Ch.: Joseph, about 1640 (2).
Thomas, about 1644 (3).
John, Jan. 10, 1646 (4).
Jonathan, m. March 22, 1681, Anna, dau. William Gull, of Hatfield.
Hezekiah (5).
Jacob (6).
Sarah, cap. at Dfd., Feb. 29, 1704; redeemed and m. Samuel Kellogg, of Hfd.

2. **Joseph**, s. of Thomas (1), b. about 1640; Nfd. grantee, 1682; and sett. 1685; d. April 19, 1711.

He m. Dec. 30, 1660, Hannah, dau. Edward Haynes. She d. Jan. 28, 1691. (2), Mary, wid. of David Burt, dau. of William Holton. She d. 1713.

Ch.: Hannah, July 9, 1662, m. Dec. 27, 1682, John Hutchinson.
Joseph, Jan. 15, 1664–5 (7).
Thomas, April 13, 1667; sett. in Farmington, Ct.; d. 1734.
John, Sept. 11, 1669.
Sarah, March 4, 1671–2, m. May, 1691, Samuel Hutchinson.
Hope, Sept. 25, 1675, m. July 2, 1699, Sarah Wright.
Hezekiah, Jan. 1, 1677, m. March 23, 1713, Martha, dau. Jona. Bridgman.

3. **Thomas**, s. of Thomas (1), b. about 1644; Nfd. grantee, 1682; sett. 1685; of Lebanon, Ct., 1705.

He m. 1666, Abigail, dau. Alexander Alvord. She d. June 17, 1699.

Ch.: Thomas, April 11, 1667; of Coventry, 1709; Lebanon, 1718; m. Dec. 1, 1691, Hannah Strong.
Abigail, Jan. 20, 1668, d. Nov. 25, 1691.
Samuel, Nov. 16, 1673.
Hezekiah, April, 1676, d. Sept. 29, 1690.

4. **John**, s. of Thomas (1), b. 1646; Nfd. petitioner, 1671; sett. at Dfd.; killed by Indians, Sept. 17, 1677, when Quinton Stockwell, Sergt. Plympton, Benoni Stebbins, and Samuel Russell, were captured.

He m. Mehitable, (Johnson,) wid. Samuel Hinsdell. She m. (3), March 11, 1679, Dea. John Coleman.

Ch.: Thankful, Feb., 1677, m. Jan. 7, 1697, Thomas Wells, of Wethersfield.

5. **Hezekiah**, s. of Thomas (1); Dfd. and Nhn.; d. Sept. 29, 1690.

He m. July 12, 1682, Mehitable, dau. Samson Frary, of Dfd. She m. (2), about 1691, Jeremiah Alvord, and d. Nov. 7, 1698, a. 34.

Ch.: Mehitable, Oct. 31, 1683, d. Nov. 22, 1683.
Benjamin, April 20, 1686, m. Dec. 14, 1710, Ruth Hubbard.
Mehitable, May 24, 1688, m. Nov. 29, 1708, Peter Eastman.
Mercy, 1689; killed with her grandfather Frary, at Dfd., Feb. 29, 1704.

6. Jacob, s. of Thomas (1); sett. of Nfd., 1685; rem. to Hebron, Ct.; d. 1731.

He m. Feb. 2, 1681, Mary, dau. Samson Frary, of Dfd.; b. at Medfield, 1662.

Ch.: Joanna, Nov. 5, 1681, m. Dec. 7, 1703, Samuel Pomeroy, of Nhn.
Daniel, Oct. 2, 1684; sett. in Hebron.
Jacob, June 15, 1687, m. Nov. 4, 1709, Sarah Goodale.
Mary, Nov. 24, 1690, m. Feb. 1, 1713, Nathaniel Mann, or Munn.
Margaret, Oct., 1692, m. June 25, 1727, John Warner. (2), — Trumbull; d. at Marlborough, Ct., 1793, a. 101 years.
William, Jan. 17, 1695, m. April 30, 1728, Hannah Pinnock; sett. in Piermont, N. H.
Hezekiah, Oct. 13, 1697, d. before 1728.
Ruth, Feb. 7, 1699, d. unm. March, 1787.
Nathaniel, Nov. 16, 1702, m. Dec. 28, 1725, Mary Tarbox; sett. in Hebron.
Jonathan, April 3, 1705, m. May 8, 1729, Sarah Tarbox; sett. in Hebron.

7. Joseph, s. of Joseph (2), b. 1665; a grantee, 1682, and sett. in 1685; ret. to Nhn., where he d. Oct. 23, 1690.

He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Joseph, July 13, 1686 (8).
Hannah, Dec. 14, 1688.

8. Joseph, s. of Joseph (7), b. 1686; holds his father's land in Nfd., 1714, but sells in 1720, being then of Sunderland.

He m. Feb. 16, 1710, Mary Russell, of ~~Sunderland~~ Hatfield

Ch.: Mary, April 30, 1711.
Joseph, June 16, 1713; sett. in Montague.
Jonathan, Feb. 1, 1716.

ROSE, Benjamin, b. in Bolton, 1724; Nfd., 1748; sol., 1757; rem. to Winhall, Vt., before 1783.

He m. Feb. 2, 1758, Eunice Brooks, of Montague.

Ch.: Benjamin, bapt. June 10, 1759.
Joseph, bapt. April 19, 1761; Rev. sol., 1776.
Eunice, bapt. Oct. 17, 1762.
Nathaniel, bapt. July 1, 1764.
Freedom, bapt. June 10, 1670.
Lucinda, bapt. June 10, 1670.

ROSE, Joseph, Nfd., 1745; was one of the party under Sergt. Thomas Taylor, which was attacked by Indians above Hinsdale fort, July 14, 1748; Rose was wounded, cap., and killed about a mile from the place of attack. [*See ante*, p. 265.]

He m. Patience ——.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Jan. 25, 1731, m. March 25, 1756, Larkin Green, of Hardwick.

ROSE, Seth, b. in Dfd., 1738; Nfd., 1755–68; sol., and cap. at Fort William Henry, Aug. 9, 1757.

ROWE, John, 1775.

ROWLEY, Erastus, 1790–91.

RUGG, Benjamin; Nfd., 1736. He m. Lydia ——.

Ch.: Sarah, Oct. 8, 1736, d. young.
Lydia, May 13, 1739.
Benjamin, June 7, 1742.
Sarah, July 3, 1744.
John, b. at Dfd., date unknown.

RUSSELL, John, 1755; prob. rem. to Deerfield.

RYTHER, changed from RIDER, David; lieut.; sol., 1756–7; from Had., and later in Ber.; d. June 6, 1804, a. 84.

He m. Martha, dau. Daniel Shattuck. She d. Nov. 12, 1802, a. 77.

Ch.: Hannah, May 10, 1746.
David, Sept. 10, 1747, b. in Hadley.
Peter, Nov. 23, 1749, b. in Had.; drowned May 24, 1771.
Hophni, 1751; enlisted Rev. army, Feb. 16, 1776; d. in service, June 13, 1776.
Rebecca, May 23, 1753.
Martha, April 10, 1755.
David, 1758, m. Zuriah —; sett. in Ber., d. June 11, 1831.
John, 1760, d. 1767.
Anna, Aug., 1763.
Elihu, 1765, d. 1767.
Gideon, Nov. 28, 1768; D. C., 1790; doctor; m. Sylvia, dau. Capt. Thomas Alexander; sett. in Ber.; d. 1839.

SAFFORD, Ebenezer, 1781.

SAFFORD, Philip, 1758–66; sol. under Capt. Burk, 1760; rem. to Rockingham, Vt.; a lieut. in the whig party, at the Westminster massacre, March 13, 1775, where he was noted for his daring.

Ch.: Alvan, bapt. June 5, 1758.

SALISBURY, James, 1789.

SAUNDERS, Jonathan, 1802–18.

SAUNDERS, Shephard, 1802.

SAUNDERS, Stephen, 1806.

SANDERSON, William; had grant of home lot, 1718; sol. under Capt. Partridge, 1722; of Spfd., 1724, at which time he sells his land at Nfd., to Henry Dwight.

SANGER, Nathaniel, 1775–87.

SAVARY, Daniel; from Sutton, and Warwick; Nfd., 1786–8.

He m. Sylvia ——, who d. Nov. 1, 1786.

Ch.: Mary, Aug. 27, 1777.
Susanna, May 22, 1780.
Sylvia, Oct. 7, 1782.
Lydia, May 20, 1784.
Sally, Oct. 27, 1786.

SAWTELLE, Josiah; of Lancaster; Nfd., 1725; built Fort Sawtelle, 1739.

He m. Jan. 18, 1718, Lydia Parker, who was a wid. at Sund., 1756.

Ch.: Lydia, m. 1738, Ezekiel Kellogg; tanner; from whom she was divorced, 1757.
Daniel, of "The Cellars," (now Hinsdale); a first sett. of Springfield, Vt., 1753.
Bathsheba, Oct. 1, 1721.
Jemima, 1722, m. William Phipps. (2), Caleb Howe, both of whom were killed by the Indians. (3), Amos Tute, of Ver.
Susanna, March 27, 1724.
Jonathan, April 23, 1726; sol. 1746–7; cap. by Indians at Hinsdale, Oct. 22, 1747.

SAWTELLE, Obadiah; ensign; killed at No. 4, June 20, 1749.

Ch.: Nathaniel; sol. in Capt. John Burk's co. of Rangers; of No. 4, 1754.
Solomon, 1738; sol. in Capt. Salah Barnard's co., 1760.

1. SAWYER, Abner, 1797–1820; captain; comb manufacturer.

He m. Eunice ——.

Ch.: Joel, June 5, 1796, d. Oct. 25, 1796.
Asahel, Dec. 29, 1797 (2).
Eunice, Feb. 3, 1800, m. Aug. 24, 1823, Erastus Wells, N. Y.
Lucy, May 11, 1802, d. May 14, 1824.
Keziah, Nov. 1, 1803, d. Dec. 13, 1826.

2. Asahel, s. of Abner (1), b. 1797; selectman; rep.
He m. Sept. 15, 1819, Hannah, dau. Hezekiah Stratton.

Ch.: Elvira, Dec. 13, 1819, m. Apollos Morgan.
Hannah W., April 1, 1821, d. unm.
Harris S., Jan. 6, 1823, m.; res. in Mont.
Lucy, Nov. 29, 1824, m. Elisha Stratton.
Martha, Dec. 13, 1826, m. Caleb Alexander.
Asahel, Sept. 27, 1828, d. Nov. 1, 1832.
Albert, Sept. 21, 1830; sett. in Fitchburg.
Ellen A., May 7, 1836, m. Edwin A. Stratton.
Eunice, June 22, 1838, d. unm.
Asahel, Nov., 1844, m. Delia, dau. Dwight Morgan.

SAWYER, Benjamin, 1817; had saw and grist mill on the *Natanis*, or Bennet's brook; about 1829 his dam gave way; one house was destroyed, and considerable damage done to the lands below.
He m. Charlotte Griswold.

Ch.: Rebecca, 1819.
Benjamin, 1820.
Charlotte G., 1822.
Lucy B., 1824, d. 1825.
Lucy B., 1826.
John F., 1827.
Elizabeth T., 1829.

SAWYER, Jonas; captain; comb maker; rem. to Greenfield.

SAWYER, Thomas; from Bolton, 1796–1801; rem. to Maine.
He m. Alice ——.

Ch.: Rhoda, bapt. April 23, 1797.

SAWYER, Josiah. He m. Dec. 1, 1822, Adeline Griswold, of Gfd.

SCOTT, Abraham; from Winchester, N. H. He m. Mehitable ——.

Ch.: Sarah, bapt. Oct. 28, 1758.

SCOTT, Elisha, 1755.

SCOTT, James; Rev. army, 1780, at West Point.

SCOTT, Roswell, 1813.

1. SERGEANT, Digory, b. in Sudbury; Worcester, at its Second Settlement, 1685; and his family was the only one that remained there after the breaking out of King William's war, 1688; he remained unmolested until about 1704, when he was killed by Indians, and his wife, and five children taken to Canada. His second wife was —— Parmenter, sis. to George, of Sudbury.

Ch.: Martha, b. before 1696, m. Daniel Shattuck, of Worcester, April 16, 1719. She d. 1722.
John (2).
Daniel; remained among the Indians; d. in Canada before 1744.
Thomas; of Boston, 1715.
Mary; never returned from captivity.

2. John, s. of Digory (1), taken cap. from Worcester, about 1704; remained with the Indians of Canada 12 or 13 years; "when inclined to go home," he says, "he met with great opposition, as well from the Papists, as Indians; yet he came home, and was at the sole cost of his redemption." Upon his return he was taken into the service of the province, and was three times sent with parties to Canada. He served under Capt. Kellogg, at Ft. Dummer, and remained there until his death, being then a lieutenant. In 1738, "200 acres of land above Northfield," was granted him; March 29, 1748, being

about a mile from Ft. Dummer, getting timber for oars, his party fell into an ambuscade of Indians. He was killed while fighting bravely on the retreat, and his son Daniel, captured. Joshua Wells, of Dfd., was also killed, and Moses Cooper, mortally wounded. [*See ante*, p. 257.]

He m. July 4, 1727, Abigail Jones, of Springfield.

Ch.: Daniel, May 25, 1728, m. July 20, 1751, Dinah Jones, Springfield.
Abigail, Jan. 26, 1729–30, m. — Ely.
Rufus; alive 1773.
Thomas (3).
John; said to be the first white child born in Vt.; colonel; lived in Brattleboro.
Mary.

3. Thomas, s. of John (2); lived at Ft. Dummer, and Fulham.

He m. May 19, 1754, Ann, dau. Joseph Stebbins, of Northfield.

Ch.: Elisha, bapt. Feb. 11, 1758.
Anne, bapt. April 28, 1760.

1. SEVERANCE, John; Salisbury, 1637; d. April 9, 1682.

He m. Abigail ——, who d. June 17, 1658. (2), Susanna, wid. of Henry Ambrose.

Ch.: Samuel, Sept. 19, 1637, d. young.
Ebenezer, March 7, 1639, d. unm. 1667.
Abigail, Jan. 7, 1641, d. young.
Abigail May 25, 1643.
Mary, Aug. 5, 1645, m. Dec., 1663, James Coffin, of Nantucket.
John, Nov. 24, 1647 (2).
Joseph, Feb. 15, 1650.
Elizabeth, April 8, 1652, d. 1656.
Benjamin, Jan., 1654.
Elizabeth, June 17, 1658, m. 1686, Samuel Eastman, of Salisbury.
Twin sister, d. June 22, 1658.

2. John, s. of John (1), b. 1647; kept tavern in Boston, 1680; rem. to Sfd., 1681; to Dfd., as early as 1696, and thence before 1704, to Bedford, N. Y., where he was living 1716.

He m. Mary ——.

Ch.: Ebenezer, Sept. 19, 1673 (3).
Abigail, May 6, 1675, d. at Dfd., Jan., 1691.
John, Sept. 22, 1676.
Daniel, June 3, 1678; killed Sept. 15, 1694, when the Indians attacked Deerfield.
Mary, July 14, 1681.
Joseph, Oct. 26, 1682 (4).

3. Ebenezer, s. of John (2), b. 1673; rem. from Dfd. to Nfd., 1718, where he was killed by Indians, Oct. 11, 1723. [*See ante*, p. 196.]

He m. Mary ——. "The aged Mrs. Severance;" d. June 20, 1761.

Ch.: Abigail, April 27, 1696, m. June 21, 1716, John Allen.
Ebenezer, Nov. 14, 1697, d. young.
Sarah, Nov. 19, 1799, m. Dec. 21, 1727, Ezekiel Bascom.
Daniel, Jan. 4, 1701–2 (5).
Mary, Oct. 7, 1703.
Hannah, April 1, 1706, m. March 31, 1724, Benoni Wright.
John, March 7, 1708.
Ebenezer, July 24, 1709 (6).
Elizabeth, July 30, 1712, m. April 28, 1737, Josiah Davidson.

4. Joseph, s. of John (2), b. 1682; tailor; Dfd.; owned home lot in Nfd., 1714.

He m. Nov. 17, 1712, Anna, dau. Martin Kellogg, of Had.

Ch.: Joseph, Oct. 7, 1713, m. Mary, dau. Capt. Joseph Clesson; sol. under Kellogg, 1732–36.
Anna, Dec. 25, 1715, m. Oct. 31, 1737, Samuel Bardwell.
Martin, Sept. 10, 1718; a noted scout, and sol.; sett. in Shelburne.
John, Oct. 20, 1720, m. Esther Arms; rem. to Ber., 1769.
Experience, March 14, 1723, m. July 23, 1749, Phineas Nevers, of Stafford, Ct.
Jonathan, June 12, 1725, m. Thankful Stebbins; sett. in Deerfield.
Rebecca, March 4, 1728, m. Nov. 28, 1743, Samuel Smead, Deerfield.
Moses, March 23, 1729.
Abigail, Nov. 16, 1732.

5. **Daniel**, s. of Ebenezer (3), b. 1702; lieutenant; served under Capt. Kellogg, from 1723 to 1730; commanded a fort at Coleraine, 1747–8; at Fort Mass., under Capt. Ephraim Williams, and participated in the brave defence of that place, Aug. 2, 1748; d. in service, Dec. 15, 1748.

He m. Oct. 18, 1733, Rebecca Jones, of Springfield.

Ch.: Sarah, Jan. 29, 1734–5.
Tabitha, Dec. 18, 1736.
Obed, April 6, 1739; sol., 1757, from Nfd.

6. **Ebenezer**, s. of Ebenezer (3), b. 1709; sol. on frontier service, many years; he d. March 24, 1791.

He m. Hannah ——. She d. "sudenly," Dec. 16, 1780, "almost 70."

Ch.: Mercy, Dec. 1, 1737.
Ebenezer, Sept. 5, 1739 (7).
Hannah, Jan., m. Oct. 25, 1764, David Risley.
Abner (8).
Mary, Sept. 9, 1750, m. July 12, 1799, Samuel Stoughton, of Gill.

7. **Ebenezer**, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1739; rem. about 1780, to Middlebury, Vt.

He m. Feb. 28, 1764, Azubah, dau. Dea. Samuel Smith.

Ch.: Samuel, bapt. Feb. 10, 1765.
Eusebia, } twins, bapt. } d. June 16, 1790.
Arathusa, } Feb. 15, 1767, } m. Dec. 23, 1790, Zephana Buss. She d. Jan. 19, 1793.
Daniel, bapt. Nov. 27, 1768.
Azubah, bapt. Nov. 8, 1772.
Martha, bapt. May 4, 1775, d. Feb. 24, 1791.
Ebenezer, bapt. Dec. 1, 1776.
Moses, bapt. Feb. 13, 1780.
Hannah, bapt. Jan. 31, 1781.
Adozia, bapt. Oct. 12, 1783.

8. **Abner**, s. of Ebenezer (6); was set off to Gill, 1795.

He m. 1785, Naamah ——.

Ch.: Elijah, bapt. Feb. 15, 1786.
Oren, bapt. April 9, 1786.
Philana, bapt. March 7, 1788, unm. 1826.
Obed, bapt. Feb. 9, 1791, d. June 24, 1791.
Obed, bapt. July 1, 1792.

1. SHATTUCK, **Daniel**, s. of William, of Watertown; b. 1692; capt.; lived in Groton, and was of Worcester, from 1719 to 1724, when he rem. to Nfd.; he located on Merry's Meadow, and about 1736, built a fort on both sides of the brook; this fort was assaulted and partly burned March 30, 1746. [*See ante*, p. 249.] At the organization of the town of Hinsdale, Sept. 25, 1753, he was chosen selectman; d. March 17, 1760.

He m. April 16, 1719, Martha, dau. Digory Sergeant, of Marlboro. She d. in Worcester, 1722. (2), May 7, 1724, Rebecca, dau. Samuel Boltwood, of Had. She d. March 16, 1757, a. 65.

Ch.: Sarah; of Westborough, unm. 1744, when she sold to Benj. Flagg, land in Worcester, "set off to her uncle Daniel Sergeant, late of Canada, deceased."
Martha, April 2, 1725, m. Daniel Rider.
Daniel, April 11, 1727 (2).
Phebe, Dec. 27, 1729, m. Reuben Ingraham.
Gideon, Oct. 20, 1732, m. Lois, dau. John Brown; he rem. to Nhn., and d. Oct. 21, 1757; his wid. m. Medad Edwards.

2. **Daniel**, s. of Daniel (1), b. 1727; sol. at Fort Dum., 1756; captain of a co. in the battle of Stillwater, 1777; d. April 7, 1809.

He m. 1753, Mary, dau. Stephen Smith, of Sund. She d. Sept. 3, 1788, a. 60. (2), Lucy, wid. of Martin Smith, of Amherst.

Ch.: Cyrus, Sept. 30, 1754, m. Dec. 27, 1781, Tirza Evans.
Makepeace, Aug. 6, 1756, m. Lydia Grandy.
Mary, Nov. 4, 1758, m. 1780, Elijah Barrett.
Gideon, Aug. 27, 1761, m. Sept. 29, 1785, Experience, dau. Philip Ingram. She d. in Ticonderoga, N. Y., Sept. 12, 1837, a. 76.
Phena, } Dec. 12, } d. in infancy.
Thena, } 1764. } m. Jan. 30, 1781, Benjamin Sanger.

SHARRY, Daniel, 1764–1772.

1. SHEPHERDSON, Amos; from Attleborough to Nfd., 1793; about 1820, rem. to New York.

He m. Rebecca Whitcomb.

Ch.: Amos, 1787 (2).
Elijah, 1789.
Aruna, 1791.
Zebediah, 1793.
Olive, 1795, m. April 15, 1814, Elijah Kendall.

2. Amos, s. of Amos (1), b. 1787; d. 1841.

He m. wid. Rhoda (Packard) Mills, who d. 1825, a. 47.

Ch.: Charles W., 1815, in Warwick (3).

3. Charles W., s. of Amos (2), b. 1815; dentist; sett. in Northfield.

He m. Maria Esterbrooks, of Brattleboro.

Ch.: Anna M., 1857.

SHIRLEY, Alexander, 1790–1.

SILL, Isaac, 1770.

SIMONDS, William; cooper, 1754.

1. SIMONDS, SIMONS, William; captain; b. in Bedford, Feb. 19, 1762; rem. from Warwick to Nfd., 1807; d. Feb. 19, 1825.

He m. Feb. 23, 1787, Mary, dau. Nathan Hastings. She d. Sept. 10, 1838, a. 69.

Ch.: William, April 24, 1788, d. May 8, 1788.
Mary, Aug. 5, 1790, m. Dec. 29, 1814, Henry Field.
William, June 10, 1792, d. Sept. 12, 1793.
Nathan H., Feb. 18, 1794 (2).
Lois, May 10, 1797, m. Sept. 14, 1817, Henry Hastings, of Boston and Warwick.
Samuel H., Sept. 26, 1804 (3).

2. Nathan H., s. of William (1), b. 1794; d. Nov. 9, 1870.

He m. May 13, 1821, Mary, dau. Noah Morgan. She d. Dec. 20, 1849, a. 46. (2), May 6, 1851, Sarah Harrington.

Ch.: William, Feb. 24, 1822, d. Aug. 19, 1825.
Dwight M., March 17, 1824, m. Dec. 24, 1851, Philana W. Sprague.
Mary S., Jan. 12, 1826, m. Feb. 16, 1843, Franklin Whithead.
William, May 11, 1828, m. July 1, 1853, Ruth S. Potter, of Westport; served in the late war, at N. O.
Eveline M., July 26, 1831, m. Jan. 15, 1851, Franklin Park. She d. Nov. 24, 1854.
Charles, Nov. 18, 1833, m. Dec. 10, 1857, Aguata Sprague.
Margaret B., Dec. 12, 1835, m. July 30, 1857, Chauncy B. Turner, of Erving.
Nathan H., June 7, 1838, m. Sept. 1, 1867, Emma J. Fay; sol. in late war.
Samuel F., July 3, 1840.
Frederick H., June 22, 1852.
Daniel A., Jan. 1, 1854.

3. Samuel H., s. of William (1), b. 1804; d. June 2, 1842.

He m. Harriet Hale, of Gill; pub. Nov. 1, 1823. She d. June 5, 1866, a. 67.

Ch.: Charles R., Nov. 15, 1826, m. June 25, 1850, Sarah R. Delvy, of Gill.
Hollis D., Jan. 12, 1828, m. Harriet Cummings; sett. in Gill.
George A., Nov. 16, 1831, m. Sarah, dau. Samuel Janes, of Gill.
Charlotte A., Sept. 24, 1834, d. unm., 1857.
Ralph A., June 2, 1841, m. Sarah Holton.

SLOWTER, SLOUTER, Adam, 1796; rem. to Ohio.

He m. Aug. 15, 1791, Jerusha Miller.

Ch.: Lewis, Feb. 19, 1792.
Lois, March 9, 1793.
Sophronia.
Eunice.
Desdemony.
Order of birth unknown.

SMITH, Henry, 1804.

1. SMITH, Henry, Rev.; prob. came over in the "Elizabeth," 1635; was at Charlestown, 1636; rem. next year to Weth., where he was settled in the ministry, 1640; he d. 1648. The controversy which disturbed the church at Weth., only ending by the removal of a large part of its members to Had., about 1659, does not seem to have broken out until two or three years after his death, although he often has the credit of creating the division.

He m. Dorothy ——, who was prob. a second wife. She m. (2), 1649, John Russell; she d. 1694.

Ch.: Mary, 1630.
John, 1633.
Dau; referred to as married, in father's will of 1648.
Rebecca, m. before 1648, Samuel Smith. (2), 1669, Nathaniel Bowman.
Peregrine.
Dorothy, 1637, m. John Blakeman. (2), Francis Hall. (3), Mark Sension. (4), Isaac Moore.
Samuel, Jan. 27, 1639 (2).
Joanna, Dec. 25, 1641, m. Feb. 4, 1664, Philip Russell, of Hadley.
Noah, Feb. 25, 1644, d. young.
Elizabeth, Aug. 25, 1648.

2. Samuel, s. of Henry (1), b. 1639; Nhn., 1666 to 79; rem. to Had.; d. Sept. 10, 1703.

He m. about 1662, Mary, dau. James Ensign.

Ch.: Samuel, m. Nov. 18, 1685, Joanna McLathlin; sett. in Sfd.; d. 1723.
Sarah, m. Oct. 16, 1684, John Lawrence.
Dorothy, bapt. 1667, m. May 30, 1687, William Rooker.
Ebenezer, bapt. 1668, m. Sarah, wid. James Barlow, dau. Thomas Huxley. She m. (3), Oct. 5, 1732, Martin Kellogg, of Suffield.
Ichabod, Jan. 24, 1670, m. Mary Huxley; sett. in Suffield.
Mary, Jan. 18, 1673, m. Aug. 20, 1696, William Barnes.
James, June 12, 1675, m. Oct. 26, 1698, Elizabeth, dau. Chileab Smith; sett. East Haddam, Ct.
Preserved, Aug., 1677 (3).

3. Preserved, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1677; Had.; d. 1713.

He m. Dec. 15, 1697, Mary, dau. Chileab Smith. She m. (2), April 22, 1741, Peter Montague; d. 1763, a. 82.

Ch.: Mary, Jan. 3, 1699, d. young.
Ebenezer, Nov. 9, 1700, d. young.
Preserved, Nov. 9, 1700, d. young.
Ebenezer, Feb. 4, 1703, m. Nov. 9, 1726, Hannah, dau. Samuel Boltwood; killed at the raising of a house, June, 1729.
Samuel, Oct. 1, 1705 (4).
Chileab, May 21, 1708 (5).
James, Sept. 23, 1710, m. Aug. 9, 1734, Sarah Smith; a Baptist minister.
Moses, Oct. 30, 1712, d. 1726.

4. Samuel, s. of Preserved (3), b. 1705; deacon; Nfd. about 1726; blacksmith; d. Dec. 21, 1799, a. 94.

He m. Sarah, dau. Abraham Morton. She d. March 30, 1767, a. "abt. 60." (2), Oct. 8, 1767, Abigail, dau. William Holton, wid. of Dr. Ebenezer Field. She d. June 1, 1801, a. 78.

Ch.: Mary, Oct. 18, 1728, d. March 23, 1730.
Jerusha, m. Dec. 6, 1757, Amzi Doolittle.

There is a *tradition* that she deserted her family, leaving an infant of 5 mos., and joined the Dorrellites; that when they were broken up, she came back—Doolittle having in the meantime married again—and lived with one of her children, until her death, about 1830, at the age of 101.

Sarah, m. Lucius Doolittle.
Mary, about 1733, m. Hezekiah Stratton.
Elisha, about 1734 (6).
Samuel, about 1735 (7).
Reuben, about 1740 (8).
Oliver (9)
Azubah, m. Feb. 18, 1764, Ebenezer Severance, of Middlebury, Vt.
Patty, about 1749, m. July 5, 1769, George Field.
Moses; was of Ashfield, 1753; ens.; of Hinds., 1761–4; had sons, Moses and Aaron.

5. **Chileab**, s. of Preserved (3), b. 1708; rem. from South Hadley to Huntstown, now Ashfield, 1751, where he was one of the early settlers. It is said the cause of his removal was some trouble in the Congregational church in South Hadley, and that in consequence of this he became a separatist (now Baptist). For 72 years he exhorted and preached in that denomination, but was not ordained minister until he was 80 years old, when the rite was performed by his sons, Ebenezer and Enos; he d. Aug. 19, 1800, a. 92.

He m. Jan. 28, 1732, Sarah, dau, Ebenezer Moody. She d. on her birth day, Dec. 23, 1789, a. 80. (2), Jan. 5, 1792, Rebecca Butler.

Ch.: Mary, Jan. 22, 1732–3, m. Nathan Chapin, of Chicopee and Ashfield.
Ebenezer, Oct. 4, 1734 (10).
Moses, Aug. 10, 1736; sett. in Ashfield; d. at the age of 94.
Sarah, Aug. 24, 1738, m. Nathaniel Harvey. (2), Israel Standish, a great grandson of Capt. Miles Standish. (3), Samuel Elmer.
Jemima, March 15, 1740, m. Jan. 19, 1764, Isaac Shepard, of Ashfield; they were ancestors of Mary Lyon, of South Hadley; she d. at 88 years.
Chileab, Oct. 24, 1742, m. Elizabeth Sawyer, of Mont.; when 96 years old, he m. a 4th wife; children of the fifth generation attending the wedding. He d. May 25, 1843, a. 100.
Enos, July 21, 1744, d. 1746.
Miriam, 1746, d. in infancy.
Miriam, May 21, 1747, m. Ephraim Jennings. She d. at the age of 80.
Enos, July 24, 1749, m. Hannah Drake, of Buckland; Baptist minister; sett. in Ashfield, where he d. at the age of 87.
Son, d. unbaptized.
Eunice, 1757, m. Ephraim Randall, of Shelburne.

6. **Elisha**, s. of Samuel (4), b. about 1734; captain; rem. to Winchester. He m. Eunice Grout, from South Hadley, who d. Aug. 28, 1859, a. 83.

Ch.: Triphena, bapt. Sept. 6, 1760, m. Oct. 21, 1782, Eli Kellogg.
Zimri, bapt. Nov. 8, 1761, m. Eunice —, and d. Nov. 30, 1840.
Preserved, bapt. March 10, 1763, killed by a cart, Sept. 11, 1775.
Elisha, bapt. May 20, 1764; sett. in Winch.; d. Feb. 17, 1818.
Noah, bapt. Nov. 27, 1765.
Darius, bapt. Oct. 8, 1767, d. Sept. 5, 1776.
Luther, bapt. May 7, 1769, d. Aug. 5, 1807.
Eunice, bapt. Oct. 14, 1771, m. 1795, Daniel Cook, of Hadley.
Abigail, bapt. March 22, 1772.
Seth, bapt. Oct. 17, 1773, d. Sept. 4, 1776.
Preserved, bapt. Oct. 1, 1775, d. Sept. 5, 1776.
Seth, bapt. May 25, 1777.
Sarah, bapt. Dec. 5, 1779, m. Samuel Lyman, and (2), Samuel Smith.

7. **Samuel**, s. of Samuel (4), b. 1735; captain; sett. in Winch.; d. Jan. 20, 1823.

He m. June 10, 1784, Anna Wright, of Nfd. (2), wid. Stebbins, of Winchester.

Ch.: Samuel, about 1800.

8. **Reuben**, s. of Samuel (4), b. 1740; captain; d. Aug. 24, 1832.

He m. Sept. 24, 1761, Catherine, dau. Col. Phineas Wright. She d. Feb.

9, 1803, a. 62. (2), June 21, 1805, Elizabeth, dau. Ebenezer Lane, wid. of —— Patridge, and of Dr. —— Alvord. She d. Sept. 2, 1829, a. 86.

Ch.: Phineas, Nov. 7, 1762, d. Sept. 18, 1823.
Content, April 29, 1764, m. Oct. 5, 1787, Jerome Hutchinson, Brookfield, Vt.
Sarah, Oct. 11, 1765, m. May 28, 1783, Ebenezer Stratton, Jr.
Catherine, Sept. 14, 1767, m. Oct. 11, 1787, Chester Pomeroy, of Newfane, Vt.
Joanna, Sept. 12, 1770, m. Jan. 2, 1792, Dea. Ebenezer H. Williams, of Deerfield.
Submit, Feb. 27, 1773, m. Dr. Walter Burnham.
Rhoda W., Jan. 24, 1775, m. Sept. 22, 1807, Henry Bardwell, Deerfield.
Polly, Jan. 21, 1777, d. unm. April 29, 1822.
Fanny, July 7, 1779, m. Richard Watriss.
Adolphus, adopted son, bapt. March 24, 1782 (11).

9. OLIVER, s. of Samuel (4); sol. of '76; rem. to Brandon, Vt., about 1794; d. Aug. 4, 1801.

He m. Sarah, dau. Daniel Morton, of Hfd. She d. July 4, 1784, a. 34. (2), Jan. 11, 1787, Lydia, wid. of Lemuel Holton. She m. (3), Peletiah Phillips.

Ch.: Lucretia, Aug. 25, 1769, d. young.
Martha, Aug. 15, 1771, m. Nov. 26, 1789, Isaac Mattoon.
Samuel, bapt. July 23, 1775, d. Jan. 25, 1776.
Samuel, Feb. 15, 1779; sett. in Burlington, Vt.
Oliver M., July 1, 1784; sett. in Brandon.
Lucretia, Jan. 9, 1789, d. Feb. 23, 1803.
Jesse, Dec. 26, 1790; doctor; sett. in Fairhaven, Vt.
Lydia, July, 1794.

10. EBENEZER, s. of Cheliab (5), b. 1734; Baptist minister, at Ashfield. He began to preach Nov. 29, 1753, at the age of 19, was ordained Aug. 20, 1761; he preached during 72 years, 8476 sermons; in 1810, at the age of 76, he made a visit to his children in western N. Y.; he was absent 69 days, and preached 69 sermons, one of which was to a congregation of 32 persons, in the hollow of a buttonwood tree, at Mentz, Cayuga co. He owned a horse 20 years, on which he rode 25,000 miles; was in the army at Lake George, 1755; d. July 26, 1824, aged 89.

He m. July 1, 1756, Remember, dau. Richard Ellis, from Ireland, 1717; of Dfd. and Ashfield. "When the nuptial day arrived, he took his bride behind him, on horseback, and went from Ashfield to Dfd., to have the ceremony performed, there being no magistrate or minister nearer. His father rode another horse before them, with his gun, to guard them from the Indians." [Rev. Preserved Smith, of Greenfield, his grandson.] She d. Sept. 15, 1795, a. 68. (2), June 14, 1796, Lucy Shepardson, who d. Oct. 5, 1808, a. 68. (3), Jan. 4, 1809, Esther Harvey, who d. Oct. 14, 1814, a. 78.

Ch.: Irene, July 4, 1757, m. Dr. John Rathbon. (2), Isaac Alden.
Preserved, June 23, 1759, m. Jan., 1788, Eunice, dau. Col. David Wells, of Shelburne; grad. R. I. Coll., 1786; sett. minister at Rowe, 1787; left there, 1804, and the next year sett. at Mendon; in 1812, he returned to Rowe; in 1832, on account of ill health, he resigned his pastorate; d. Aug. 15, 1834.
Jemima, March 18, 1761, m. Edward Anable. He was lieut. of the guard over Maj. Andre, the morning he was executed. She d. Feb. 13, 1835.
Rhoda, May 26, 1762, m. Jesse Merrill. She d. Feb. 21, 1835, in Penn.
Ebenezer, April 1, 1766.
Obed, April 6, 1770, m. Rhoda Sears; sett. at Cambria, N. Y.; d. Oct. 17, 1828.
Richard, June 20, 1774, d. May 8, 1800.

11. SMITH, Adolphus, adopted s. of Reuben (8), b. about 1781; d. Feb. 19, 1859.

He m. Aug. 7, 1805, Patty Holton.

Ch.: George, Jan. 7, 1807.
Dwight, June 19, 1808, m. Nov. 29, 1833, Marietta Thayer.
Charles, March 16, 1810.
Harriet, d. at 6, years.
Martha, d. at 4 years.
Reuben, d. at 1 year.

SMITH, Job; a drummer from Nfd., in the old French war.

SMITH, John H., 1788.

SMITH, Noah; with wife, Rebecca, received by the church in Nfd., from church in Hadley, July 2, 1777.

SMITH, Oliver; merchant, 1788.

SMITH, Sarah; wid. of Joseph, of Petersham; d. at Nfd., Feb. 9, 1839, a. 100 years, 5 months, and 9 days. [*Ch. Rec.*]

SOUTHMADE, Althea, 1788; a famous spinner.

SOUTHMADE, Erastus, 1801.

SPAFFORD, Levi, 1773.

SPENCER, Joseph; with wife Lucy, from Bolton, Ct., 1762; rem. to Surrey, Vt., 1769.

SPOONER, Joel, 1797.

SPRAGUE, Levi, 1811; from Hingham.

He m. Feb. 22, 1812, Philena, dau. Barzillai Woods.

Ch.: Joseph C., Aug. 14, 1812.
Moses, Jan. 23, 1815.
Blossom, Jan. 27, 1817.
Mary L., June 3, 1819, m. Samuel Woodward.
Phila, m. Dwight M. Simonds.
Levi, June 19, 1821.
Myra.
Agusta.

SPRING, William, 1789–94.

STACY, Gilbert, 1793; ferryman; d. in Gill, March 23, 1813.

He m. April 4, 1793, Azubah Root Field, who d. Feb. 11, 1843.

Ch.: Silas F., Sept. 10, 1796.
Sally B., March 25, 1800, d. July, 1803.
Charles, May 10, 1802, d. May 12, 1833.
Harrison G., July 9, 1804.
Marianne, July 26, 1806, m. Obadiah Mattoon.
Harriet, May 1, 1809.
Almira, Sept. 27, 1812, m. Rev. C. Hayward, of Gill.

1. STEARNS, Ebenezer, b. April, 1708.

He was m. April 12, 1737, by Rev. John Cotton, to Mary Spring, b. Nov. 20, 1709.

Ch.: Mary, June 24, 1739.
Ephraim, Jan. 10, 1740, d. Sept. 2, 1808.
Ebenezer, Oct. 3, 1741; of Warwick; d. Aug. 4, 1823.
Nathaniel, Oct. 26, 1743 (2).
Simeon, June 10, 1745; in the campaign of 1777.
Joanna, April 7, 1747.
Child, April 3, 1749, d. same day.
Betty, May, 1750.
Lucretia, July 7, 1752.
William, Aug. 5, 1754.

2. Nathaniel, s. of Ebenezer (1), b. 1743; mason; Warwick.

He m. Mary Rice. (2), Feb. 25, 1778, Elizabeth, dau. Ebenezer Stratton. She d. March 23, 1840, a. 86. Order of birth of children unknown.

Ch.: Nathaniel.
Polly, m. John Ball, Warwick. She d. April 15, 1841.
Eunice, 1770, d. unm. Oct. 30, 1854.
Calvin, 1779 (3).
John, 1780, m. Sally Gale, of Warwick. He d. Dec. 31, 1861.
Tamer, 1783, d. unm.
Samuel, 1784 (4).

3. Calvin, s. of Nathaniel (2), b. 1779; carpenter; Nfd., 1804; d. Oct. 8, 1857.

He m. Nov., 1807, Statira P. Richardson, of Boston, who d. Oct., 1870, a. 81.

Ch.: Elizabeth S., May 7, 1808, m. 1850, Martin Maynard, of Orange.
Martha R., Nov. 20, 1810, m. Feb. 14, 1839, Harvey C. Field.
Eunice W., Dec. 20, 1812, d. Dec. 8, 1837.
George A., Nov. 15, 1815, m. July, 1845, Charity B. Richardson, and d. Jan. 8, 1859.
Charles H., Nov. 22, 1817, m. July, 1861, wid. Sophia B. Spafford.
Calvin S., Aug. 5, 1820, d. June, 1860.
Charlotte Oaks, Aug. 19, 1822, m. Sept. 25, 1845, Capt. Samuel Lane, and d. March 25, 1874.
Marshal S., Nov. 24, 1824, m. Dec. 21, 1861, Sula Hilliard.
Albert D., Jan. 24, 1827, m. 1853, Delia Priest. She d. March 25, 1854, a. 25. (2), 1858, S. Minerva Priest.
Edward, March 13, 1830, m. Oct., 1854, Seraphina Caswell. She d. Dec. 21, 1868. (2), Dec. 25, 1872, Sabrina (Barrett), twin sister of his first wife.

4. Samuel, s. of Nathaniel (2), b. 1784; carpenter; d. 1849.

He m. Olive Ball, dau. of Abraham, of Athens, Vt. She d. Aug. 29, 1831, a. 32. (2), wid. Betsey Newcomb, of Keene.

Ch.: Philena B., July 9, 1819, d. Feb. 14, 1831.
Harriet O., Feb. 9, 1824, d. July 11, 1825.
Ebenezer S., Jan. 11, 1826, m. Mary Curtis; res. in Keene.
Nathaniel S., Jan. 5, 1828; sett. in Rutland, Vt.
Hannah E., Sept. 15, 1831, m. Edwin O. Sanderson, of Iowa.

STEARNS, Sally; m. July 7, 1782, Daniel Newcomb, of Keene, N H.

1. STEBBINS, Rowland, b. 1594; came from Ipswich, Eng., in the "Francis," 1634; landed at Roxbury, but prob. went to the Conn. river the next year, with William Pynchon, the founder of Springfield; from there he rem. to Nhn., about 1656; where he d. Dec. 14, 1671.

He m. Sarah ——, who d. at Spfd., Oct. 4, 1649, a. 58.

Ch.: Thomas, about 1620, m. Nov., 1645, Hannah Wright, dau. Samuel, of Spfd. She d. Oct. 16, 1660. (2), Dec. 14, 1676, Abigail, wid. of Benj. Munn, dau. Henry Burt. He d. Sept. 25, 1683, at Springfield.
Sarah, abt. 1623, m. Jan. 14, 1641, Thomas Merrick, of Springfield.
John, about 1626 (2).
Elizabeth, about 1628, m. March 2, 1646, John Clark, of Springfield.

2. John, s. of Rowland (1), b. 1626; rem. from Spfd. to Nhn. about 1656; where he d. March 7, 1679, "in an unusual manner." A jury of inquest was held. The jury found on the body, "several hundred spots, small ones, as if they had been shot with small shot," which, when scraped, showed "holes into his body." There were suspicions of witchcraft; an investigation was had before the court, but no prosecution, although the evidence was recorded, and laid before the authorities at Boston.

He m. May 14, 1746, wid. Ann (Munson), whose husband, Abraham

Munden, was drowned in the Conn. River, Oct. 29, 1645. (2), Dec. 17, 1657, Abigail, dau. Robert Bartlett. She m. (2), Dec. 28, 1681, Jedediah Strong, and d. July 15, 1689.

Ch: John, Jan. 28, 1647, m. Dorothy Alexander; sett. in Deerfield.
Thomas, d. April 24, 1649.
Ann, April 10, 1651, d. 1653.
Edward, July 12, 1653, d. Oct. 16, 1653.
Benoni, June 23, 1655, m. 1677, Mary, wid. of James Bennet; sett. in Dfd.; killed Feb. 29, 1704.
Samuel, Jan. 21, 1658–9, m. Jan. 14, 1678, Mary French; was an Indian trader.
Abigail, Sept. 24, 1660; m. May 30, 1678, William Phelps.
Thomas, May 6, 1662 (3).
Hannah, July 8, 1664, m. Nov. 5, 1679, John Sheldon, of Dfd. She was killed in the "old Indian House," by a shot fired through a hole, still seen, in the front door.
Mary, Sept. 10, 1666, m. Nov. 17, 1683, Thomas Strong.
Sarah, Jan. 4, 1668, m. 1687, William Southwell.
Joseph, Jan. 17, 1670, d. June 3, 1681.
Deborah, March 5, 1672, m. 1690, Benj. Alvord.
Benjamin, May, 1674, m. July 2, 1709, Mary Ashley, of Sfd.; was a trooper in the Pomroy pursuit, 1698; of Nhn., 1722; and one of three first setts. of Belchertown.
Rebecca, Feb., 1676, m. 1697, Nathaniel Strong.
Thankful, May 11, 1678, m. July 18, 1700, Jerijah Strong.

3. **Thomas**, s. of John (2), b. 1762; Nhn.; d. April 24, 1712.

He m. Sept. 26, 1684, Elizabeth Wright. She m. (2), June 16, 1715, John Hannum.

Ch.: Thomas, April 2, 1689, d. Oct. 2, 1689.
Hannah, 1691, m. Jan. 10, 1717, Lawrence King.
Thomas, d. 1752.
Josiah, Sept., 1694, d. at Nfd., unm., 1724.
Joseph, March 30, 1697 (4).
Experience, March 4, 1699, d. young.
Asahel, April 10, 1701 (5).
Experience, March 18, 1703, m. — Birge.
Mary, Dec. 24, 1705, m. May 16, 1734, Noah Strong.

4. **Joseph**, s. of Thomas (3), b. 1697; rem. from Dfd. to Nfd., 1726; d. Jan. 31, 1782.

He m. Mary ——, who d. Dec. 23, 1786, a 83, or 88.

Ch.: Mary, July 11, 1719, unm. 1765, alive 1794.
Joseph, Jan. 13, 1720–1 (6).
Zebediah, Oct. 29, 1723 (7).
Sarah, Jan. 27, 1727, m. about 1755, Thomas Taylor, and d. Sept. 11, 1809.
Josiah, Oct. 20, 1729 (8).
Anna, Sept. 15, 1731, d. Nov. 5, 1732.
Anna, Nov. 10, 1734, m. May 17, 1757, Thomas Sergeant, of Fort Dummer.
Elizabeth, Oct. 8, 1736, m. Gen. Ebenezer Walbridge, of Bennington, Vt.
Elisha, March 26, 1743 (9).

5. **Asahel**, s. of Thomas (3), b. 1701; sol. from Dfd., 1722; Nfd., 1724; d. Jan. 17, 1730.

He m. 1727, Sarah, dau. Joseph Petty.

Ch.: Asahel, May 16, 1728 (10).
Thomas, March 11, 1730 (11).

6. **Joseph**, s. of Joseph (4), b. 1721; sett. about 1740, on land now occupied by his descendants, in Vernon; d. Feb. 6, 1784.

He m. about 1744, Thankful, dau. Stephen Belding. She d. May 9, 1788, a. 70.

Ch.: Tabitha, m. Zurr Evans, of Chesterfield, N. H.
Thankful, Nov., 1745, m. Elihu Root, of Guilford, Vt. She d. April 9, 1776.
Mary, June 6, 1747, m. Timothy Root, of Guilford. She d. Oct. 14, 1774.
Elijah, bapt. April 27, 1749, d. in infancy.
Elijah, bapt. Jan. 6, 1751 (12).
Lucy, May 31, 1752.
Eliakim, Nov. 17, 1753 (13).
Abner, bapt. Aug. 9, 1755 (14).
Joseph, bapt. Oct. 10, 1757, d. young.
Joseph, bapt. March 1, 1761 (15).

7. **Zebediah**, s. of Joseph (4), b. 1723; shot the Indian on the west side of the river, Aug. 20, 1755, at the time Reuben Wright was wounded. [*See ante*, p. 297.] Rem. to Brattleboro, Vt., about 1785; d. at Somerset, Vt.

He m. Thankful ——, before 1760; she was received by the church in Nfd. from the church in Gfd., Nov. 2, 1760.

Ch.: Content, Dec. 12, 1764, m. — Gardner.
Levi, Feb. 18, 1767; rem. from Bratt. to Lancaster, N. H.
Polly, adopted dau., bapt. Oct. 27, 1782.

8. **Josiah**, s. of Joseph (4), b. 1729; d. Oct. 30, 1813.

He m. Feb. 14, 1754, Mary Howe, who d. May 14, 1794, a. 59. (2), Abigail Batchelder, who d. July 26, 1805, a. 71. (3), about 1809, wid. Very, of Winchester.

Ch.: Patty, bapt. Feb. 2, 1755, m. Oliver Orvis, of Halifax, Vt.
Sophia, bapt. June 13, 1756, m. Elisha Alexander.
Josiah, bapt. Jan. 15, 1758 (16).
Arad, bapt. Oct. 28, 1759 (17).
Lucy, bapt. March 1, 1761, m. Ebenezer Church. She d. Jan. 23, 1832.
Elihu, bapt. March, 1763 (18).
Mary, bapt. March 31, 1765, m. Eldad Wright, of Winchester.
Eli, bapt. Feb. 15, 1767, m. Sibyl Simonds, of Bradford, Vt.
Hiel, bapt. July 9, 1769, d. May 4, 1776.
Polina, bapt. Oct. 20, 1771, m. Theodore Kellogg, of Hanover, N. H.
Matilda, bapt. March 13, 1774, m. Isaac Barker.
Thankful, bapt. April 28, 1776, d. July 2, 1778.

9. **Elisha**, s. of Joseph (4), b. 1743; sett. in Greenfield.

He m. Oct. 29, 1767, Martha Wright, prob. dau. Benoni.

Ch.: Lucinda, Feb. 7, 1769.
Susey, June 5, 1771, d. Oct. 9, 1782.
Lucretia, bapt. April 17, 1774.
Elle Williams, bapt. April 13, 1777.
Samuel, bapt. June 18, 1780.
Ore, bapt. Aug. 10, 1783.
Susa, bapt. June 18, 1791.

10. **Asahel**, s. of Asahel (5), b. 1728; sol. under Capt. Catlin, 1757; sett. at No. 4, where he was killed by Indians, and his wife taken captive, Aug. 27, 1758.

He m. Lydia, dau. John Harwood, of Ware River. She m. (2), Samuel Merriman. [*See ante*, p. 496.]

Ch.: Asahel, May 30, 1750 (19).
Cyrus, April 25, 1752; Rev. sol.; d. Sept. 11, 1776.
Lydia, bapt. June 30, 1754, d. Oct. 4, 1761.
Experience, Sept. 26, 1756, m. Nov. 30, 1809, Moses Gunn, of Montague.

11. **Thomas**, s. of Asahel (5), b. 1730; sol., 1758; alive Sept. 21, that year; "died in the army." [*Record.*]

He m. Feb. 25, 1758, Anna, dau. Ephraim Chamberlain. She m. (2), Dec. 11, 1783, Reuben Frizzell, of Ber., and d. between 1785 and 1792.

Ch.: Darius, bapt. May 13, 1759; Rev. sol.; of North Haven, Ct., 1792; rem. to Tyringham, where he d. Aug. 2, 1819. He m. Nov. 28, 1782, Louisa, dau. Barnabas Myrick, of Warwick, b. 1763. She was in New Marlboro, 1738–48.
Asahel, of North Haven, 1792.
Lydia, m. John Conable, of Bernardston.
Damaras, m. Reuben Parmenter.
Anna, July 28, 1771, d. Oct. 14, 1775.
Ephraim, of N. Haven, 1792.
Anna, bapt. April 25, 1776.

12. **Elijah**, s. of Joseph (6), b. 1751; lived in the house built by his father in Vernon, which was burned, Dec. 20, 1820; he was so much injured by inhaling smoke, that he d. Jan. 3, 1821.

Stebbins

He m. Beulah, dau. Gideon Dickinson, of Hatfield. She d. Feb. 10, 1822, a. 67.

Ch.: Mary, Sept. 10, 1775, d. April 20, 1777.
Mary, 1778, m. Zadock Wright. She d. April 8, 1841.
Thankful, July 10, 1779, d. May 11, 1798.
Rebecca, March 1, 1781, d. March 20, 1781.
Rebecca, 1784, m. Lovel Johnson.
Elijah, May 30, 1786, m. Roxana Parmenter, and (2), Abigail Elmer.
Gideon D., about 1788, m. March 24, 1812, Betsey, dau. Benoni Dickinson.
George R., July 8, 1790 (20).
Harriet; 2d wife to Stephen Perry, of Warwick.
Samuel, May 12, 1795, d. Oct. 2, 1798.
Williams, Feb. 19, 1799, m. Betsey Newell.

13. **Eliakim**, s. of Joseph (6), b. 1753; d. while sitting alone in his chair, July 28, 1836.

He m. Aug. 4, 1785, Rebecca, dau. Col. John Hawks, of Dfd. She d. Feb. 9, 1816, a. 62.

Ch.: Solomon, June 28, 1786, m. Jan. 3, 1811, Nancy Perry; rem. to Ill.
Eliakim, June 17, 1789; lieut.; m. March 14, 1815, Editha Morley, of Gfd. No children.
Rebecca, 1792, m. Eli Lee.
John, Jan. 15, 1794 (21).

14. **Abner**, s. of Joseph (6), b. 1755; sett. in Guilford, Vt.; d. Sept. 18, 1836.

He m. Mindwell Marsh, of Mont. She d. Aug. 3, 1837, a. 81.

Ch.: Lucy, Sept. 9, 1782, m. Jesse Gaines.
Abner, Feb. 6, 1785, m. Hannah Johnson. She d. Jan. 4, 1844, a. 55. He d. Feb. 24, 1862.
Henry, Feb. 24, 1787, m. Rebecca —.
Lyman, Nov. 25, 1789, m. — Tyler.
Tabitha, Feb. 15, 1791, m. Joseph Gains, of Guilford.
Zebina, Aug. 20, 1795, m. Eunice Munn, of Gill.

15. **Joseph**, s. of Joseph (6), b. 1761; lieutenant; Rev. sol.; captured in 1777, near Hudson river; he escaped, and arrived home in an almost famished condition; d. at Watertown, N. Y.

He m. Sarah Severance, of Ber. She d. young; a babe was buried in the same coffin. (2), Betsey Eddy, of Guilford, Vt. She d. July 14, 1863, a. 92.

Ch.: Joseph; sett. in Watertown, N. Y.
Sally, m. Bulkley, of Freeport, Ill.
Thankful, m. Albro Houghton.
Johnson; sett. in Penn.
Henry, d. young.
Daniel; went west.
Samuel, m. Harris, of Ver.
Calvin, d. young.

16. **Josiah**, s. of Josiah (8), b. 1758; ensign; d. May 9, 1807.

He m. Martha Belding.

Ch.: Josiah, Sept. 23, 1802, d. May 12, 1808.
Charles, 1804, m. Abigail Wright.

17. **Aarad**, s. of Josiah (8), b. 1759; res. in Bradford, Vt.; d. April 30, 1828.

He m. Dec. 28, 1789, Mary Kent, of Newbury, Vt.

Ch.: Mary, Oct. 29, 1792, m. Dec. 1, 1812, Alfred Corliss, Bradford.
Sophia, Feb. 9, 1794, d. April 6, 1853.
Lucy, Jan. 3, 1796, m. Feb. 11, 1823, Theodore Dame, of Orford, N. H.
Betsey, Sept. 12, 1797, m. July 30, 1838, Nicholas W. Ayer.
Matilda, Sept. 19, 1799, d. at Orford, July 10, 1749.
Louisa, June 10, 1801, m. July 15, 1827, Daniel Moulton, of Montpelier, Vt.
Arad, Jan. 16, 1803, m. March 24, 1835, Eliza Stoddard, of Plymouth, N. H.

18. ELIHU, s. of Josiah (8), b. 1762; Hinsdale; d. April 23, 1846.

He m. March 24, 1786, Lucretia, dau. Eldad Wright. She d. Dec. 7, 1843, a. 80.

Ch.: Son, d. Jan. 10, 1786.
Miranda, Nov. 22, 1787, d. Feb. 3, 1803.
Thankful, Nov. 10, 1789, m. Sampson Evans.
Lucretia, Nov. 2, 1791, d. Oct. 17, 1798.
Son, d. April 15, 1793.
Elihu, March 27, 1794 (22).
Polina, March 2, 1796, d. Oct. 10, 1798.
Jerusha, March 24, 1798, m. James H. Davenport.
Lockhart, June 3, 1800, m. Caroline Bascom.
Lucretia, Feb. 25, 1802, d. May 15, 1813.
Miranda, Nov. 6, 1804, m. James Parker. (2), Arad Cooper. (3), Judah Nash.

19. ASAHEL, s. of Asahel (10), b. 1750; in the campaign of 1777; d. July 26, 1822.

He m. March 18, 1771, Susanna, dau. Seth Field. She d. April 9, 1835, a. 84.

Ch.: Eliphas, Sept. 26, 1771.
Olive, Jan. 20, 1774, m. Nathaniel Collins.
Thomas, Nov. 9, 1776, m. Polly Willard.
Susanna F., Jan. 13, 1779, m. Jan. 31, 1805, Thomas Durkee.
Lydia, Oct. 8, 1781, m. Jan. 10, 1806, Zebulon Burr, of Rockingham, Vt.
Cyrus, Nov. 27, 1783 (23).
Asahel, July 27, 1786, m. Mary Scott. (2), Lucy Rockwood. (3), wid. Chamberlain; rep., 1839.
Mary, July 27, 1786, d. Sept. 6, 1788.
Francis, March 20, 1792, d. March 6, 1860.

20. GEORGE R., s. of Elijah (12), b. 1790; d. Oct. 7, 1849.

He m. April 26, 1815, Sarah, dau. Noah Perry. She d. March 6, 1869, a. 75.

Ch.: George, Feb. 26, 1816, d. the 28th.
Chandler H., Jan. 31, 1818.
George R., May 24, 1820 (24).
Marshal W., June 2, 1822.
Sarah A., Aug. 13, 1824.
Norman P., Aug. 6, 1826, d. the 31st.
Norman P., Sept. 2, 1827.
Annah C., July 12, 1829.
Lois D., Aug. 2, 1831, d. Jan., 1854.
Sherman B., Aug. 23, 1833.

21. JOHN, s. of Eliakim (13), b. 1794; Ver.; antiquary; living, 1874.

He m. July 19, 1825, Harriet, dau. Nehemiah Houghton, who d. Jan. 15, 1864, a. 58.

Ch.: Alonzo, April 20, 1826, m. July 18, 1855, Cornelia S. Holland.
Lorenzo, Nov. 15, 1827, m. Aug. 12, 1856, Ellen Q. Walton.
John, March 10, 1829, m. Sept. 19, 1853, Ellen Gleason. (2), Harriet Hubbard. He was captain U. S. vols., 1865.
Harriet, Aug. 5, 1830, m. Dec. 17, 1856, Henry A. Goodrich, of Fitchburg.
Calista, June 29, 1832, m. Dec. 8, 1858, Charles Lyman.
Alfred, Sept. 4, 1834, m. Dec. 13, 1869, Edith Large.
Melissa, July 29, 1837, m. Nov. 9, 1870, William Stockwell.
Lydia H., July 14, 1839, m. April 14, 1864, Lambert Jones.

22. ELIHU, s. of Elihu (18), b. 1794; Hins.; d. Oct. 19, 1871.

He m. Nov. 11, 1824, Sarah G., dau. Seth Hooker.

Ch.: John Mills, Dec. 27, 1825; grad. D. C., 1848; lawyer; sett. in Springfield, of which city he was mayor, 1874; m. Nov. 23, 1853, Harriet C., dau. of William Haile, of Keene, N. H.
Sarah H., July 31, 1831, d. Oct. 31, 1866.
Edward, March 10, 1834; lives unm. on the old homestead in Hinsdale.

23. Cyrus, s. of Asahel (9), b. 1783; d. March 13, 1874.

He m. Mercy Morgan, who d. July 9, 1837. (2), wid. Orrell (Dean) Jones. She d. Oct., 1861.

Ch.: Susanna, May, 28, 1815, m. Richard Pratt.
Sylvanus, April 4, 1817, m. Arline Allen. (2), Martha Darth. (3), wid. — Paul.
Alphonzo, Aug. 14, 1819, d. Dec. 29, 1821.
Charles E., Nov. 29, 1812, m. — Treadwell; sett. in Hartford.
Roxana M., Oct. 12, 1823, m. Peter W. Caruth.

24. George R., s. of George R. (20), b. 1820; ferryman.

He m. July 21, 1852, Arathusa, dau. Robert Kendall.

Ch.: Eva Isabella, March 1, 1856.

STEVENS, Comfort, 1775.

STEVENS, Willard; lieutenant; 1763.

STILES, Joseph, 1793.

STIMPSON, Charles; from Dummerston, Vt., 1810.

He m. Anna Robbins.

Ch.: Lucy, 1800, m. Albarto Stratton.
William; went west.
Lydia, m. David Thayer, of Swanzey, N. H.
Polly, m. Zecheriah Timson, of Marlboro, Vt.
Charles, m. Sarah, dau. Caleb Holton.
Orra, Jan. 28, 1812.
Jonathan, April 30, 1814, m. Florinda Shattuck, of Boston.
Royal E., May 22, 1816, m. — Clark, of Orange.
Sarah A., Oct. 30, 1818, m. May, 1837, Abraham Wright.
Lucius, m. — Clark, of Orange.

STOCKWELL, Moses, 1771–2.

STOUGHTON, Samuel; from Greenfield; prob. rem. to Gill.

He m. Jan. 12, 1769, Mary, dau. Ebenezer Severance. She d. Dec. 31, 1769, a. 19. (2), Sarah ——.

Ch.: Mary, bapt. May 22, 1770, m. Dec. 23, 1790, Samuel Parmenter.
Sarah, bapt. April 18, 1773.
Samuel, bapt. Sept. 19, 1774.
Timothy, bapt. July 16, 1775, d. young.
Timothy, bapt. Nov. 12, 1780.
Fanny, bapt. Aug. 3, 1783.
Asa, bapt. Feb. 15, 1786.
Ira, bapt. March 7, 1788
Nancy, bapt. Feb. 9, 1791.

STODDARD, Thomas, 1737, d. before 1757.

He m. Sarah ——, who d. before 1757.

Ch.: Lemuel.
Alvah.

STODDARD, Ebenezer, b. 1737, prob. s. of Thomas; sol. 1757.

STODDER, Eli, 1815–16.

STONE, Seth, 1818.

1. STRATTON, Samuel, b. 1592, in England; came over before 1648; at Watertown, 1652, where he d. Dec. 20, 1672. First wife unknown.

He m. (2), Aug. 28, 1657, wid. Margaret Parker, at Boston. She d. Dec. 7, 1676, a. 81.

Ch.: Samuel (2).
Richard, 1628; came in the "Speedwell," 1656; m. Susanna. He d. July 25, 1658.
John, m. March 10, 1659, Elizabeth, dau. John Train. He d. April 7, 1691.

2. Samuel, s. of Samuel (1), Watertown; Concord, 1657; free., 1655.
He m. May 25, 1651, Mary Fry; and *Shattuck* thinks, (2), 1675, Hannah, dau. Moses Wheat.

Ch.: Anna, April 4, 1652.
Mary, Jan. 19, 1657, m. Daniel Howe, of Concord.
Samuel, March 5, 1661 (3).
Elizabeth.
John.

3. Samuel, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1661; Concord; d. 1717.
He m. Elizabeth ——, who d. April 17, 1762, aged 100 years.

Ch.: Samuel; of Watertown, 1719.
Elizabeth, m. Jonathan Minot.
Hezekiah, 1689 (4).
John.
Joseph.
Mary, m. James Dawson.
Benjamin, 1703.
Anna, 1705, m. — Billings.

4. Hezekiah, s. of Samuel (3), b. 1689; he received from his father's estate, £111 18*s.* 9*d.*, and from his mother's, £18 8*s.* 10*d.*; rem. to Dfd. about 1713; and to Nfd., 1715, where he remained one of the earliest permanent settlers; served under Capt. Kellogg, during Ralle's war; was wounded when Nfd. was attacked, Oct. 11, 1723; lieut. under Capt. Elijah Williams, 1748; d. Dec. 28, 1756.
He m. July 12, 1717, Elizabeth, dau. Eleazer Hawks, of Dfd. She d. April 19, 1788, a. 90.

Ch.: Ebenezer, Dec. 1, 1718 (5).
Samuel, Feb. 8, 1720 (6).
John, Oct. 28, 1721; ensign; killed on the "bloody morning scout," Sept. 8, 1755.
Eliezer, April 30, 1722 (7).
Hezekiah, Jan. 7, 1724 (8).
Mary, Aug. 22, 1725, m. Joseph Stebbins, of Deerfield.
Sarah, June 24, 1727, d. Oct. 17, 1736.
Hannah, April 11, 1729, d. Oct. 29, 1729.
Asa, Jan. 19, 1731; killed with br. John, Sept. 8, 1755.
Hannah, Sept. 9, 1732, m. Jan. 28, 1762, Philip Mattoon.

5. Ebenezer, s. of Hezekiah (4), b. 1718; captain; in command of Fort in Colerain, in 1749; d. Nov. 29, 1801.
He m. June, 1752, Tamer, dau. Caleb Allen. She d. July 23, 1797, a. 73.

Ch.: Hannah, March 17, 1753, m. Samuel Healy. She d. Oct. 29, 1833.
Elizabeth, Oct. 21, 1754, m. Feb. 25, 1778, Nathaniel Stearns, of Warwick.
Aseneth, Aug. 17, 1756, m. Jan. 20, 1791, Selah Norton.
Tamer, March 25, 1758, d. July 17, 1759.
Tamer, March 28, 1760, d. Dec. 12, 1762.
Ebenezer, Feb. 14, 1762 (9).
Martha, April 30, 1764, d. Aug. 19, 1767.
Calvin, Aug. 9, 1769, m. Sally, dau. of Consider Cushman; he kept tavern near the mouth of Miller's river; d. Oct. 26, 1825.

6. Samuel, s. of Hezekiah (4), b. 1720; lieutenant; sol. in French and Indian wars; sett. in the north part of the town, now Vernon; d. Sept. 1803.
He m. Ruth, dau. Benoni Wright. She d. Dec. 16, 1800, a. 61.

Ch.: John, Jan. 28, 1756 (10).
Ruth Wright, adopted dau., b. 1768, m. 1790, Samuel Mattoon.

7. Eliezer, s. of Hezekiah (4), b. 1722; sol. 1749; lived a short time in Enfield, Ct., but ret. to Nfd. about 1754; d. Sept. 24, 1789.
He m. Lydia, dau. Caleb Allen, of Enfield, Ct., and Nfd. She d. April 13, 1783, a. 56.

Ch.: Caleb, Feb. 24, 1753, m. Elizabeth; sett. in Shelburne.
Submit, Sept. 8, 1755, m. May 9, 1797, Asa Briggs. (2), March 10, 1799, Wm. Maltby.
Asa, Jan. 17, 1758 (11).

Eliphalet, Jan. 8, 1760, m. Elizabeth, dau. Joseph Stebbins, of Dfd.; Rev. sol., 1779.
Eliezer, Jan. 3, 1762, m. Aug. 31, 1790, Submit Field.
Lydia, Feb. 29, 1764, m. Feb. 21, 1786, James Knox, of Onoynagoh, N. Y.
Sarah, bapt. July 2, 1769, m. before 1789, Elisha H. Pomroy, of Vershire, Vt.

8. **Hezekiah**, s. of Hezekiah (4), b. 1724; d. Jan. 5, 1800.

He m. Molly, dau. Dea. Samuel Smith. She m. (2), Simeon Lyman, and d. Dec. 24, 1824, a. 91.

Ch.: Elijah, July 24, 1751 (12).
Sarah, Dec. 26, 1752, d. Aug. 25, 1770.
Rufus, March 19, 1755 (13).
Mary, Sept. 17, 1757, m. March 18, 1783, Eldad Alexander.
Eunice, June 9, 1760, m. Feb. 8, 1780, Medad Alexander.
Jerusha, June 9, 1760, m. march 2, 1780, Simeon Alexander.
Rhoda, Oct. 28, 1761, m. Feb. 3, 1783, Henry Field.
Hezekiah, Jan. 26, 1766 (14).
Samuel, bapt. April 11, 1773, d. Oct. 30, 1776.
Cynthia Woods, adopted child, bapt. July 27, 1783.

9. **Ebenezer**, s. of Ebenezer (5), b. 1762; rem. soon after marriage to Brookfield, Vt., where he kept a tavern, which is still kept by his descendants; d. June 4, 1814.

He m. May 28, 1783, Sarah, dau. Reuben Smith. She d. Feb. 20, 1811.

Ch.: Patty, July 6, 1784, d. unm.
Sally, bapt. Feb. 15, 1789.
Caleb Allen.
Harriet.
Alpha, bapt. Feb. 26, 1792, d. 1811.

10. **John**, s. of Samuel (6), b. 1756; drowned in the Conn. river, at Bellows Falls, June 1, 1785. The stone that marks his grave in a cemetery in Vernon, bears the following curious elegiac, and genealogical epitaph, doubtless written by Rev. Bunker Gay:

"MEMENTO MORI.

Here lie intered where Silence reigns
Mr. JOHN STRATTON'S Sad Remains
Sam'el and Ruth once happy were
In Him, Their only Son and Heir.
In January, e'er the Sun
Had Eight & Twenty Curci'ts run
In Seventeen Hundred Fifty Six
With Mortals here on Earth to mix,
He first began; but lost his life
In Seventeen Hundred Eighty-five.
The first of June as in his Tour
Where Walpole Rapids foam and roar
He to a rock went down too nigh
To pierce the Salmon passing by.
The Rock's Smooth, Glassy, Sloping Side
His Feet betrayed, and let him Slide
Plum down into a Watry Tomb,
No more to See his native Home
His tender Parents, lovely Spouse
Or those bright Beauties of his House
Three little helpless female heirs
Left to bedew his Grave with Tears
Alas, who can Their Loss repair,
Or ease the Widow's Soul of Care
Or furnish adequate Relief
To cure the Parents pungent Grief.
Father of Mercies, hear our Call,

Extend Thy Pity to them all.
Let Momentary Ills like this,
Issue in Everlasting Bliss."

He m. Roxana, dau. Paul Field. She d. in a fit, in the meeting house in Hinsdale, Aug. 14, 1786, a. 29.

Ch.: Thankful, also called Gratia, May 9, 1776, m. Job Wright.
Electa, April 10, 1779, m. Dr. Cyrus Washburn. She d. Jan. 26, 1806.
Roxana P., March 11, 1782, d. March 17, 1803.

11. Asa, s. of Eleazer (7), b. 1758; Rev. sol.; at surrender of Burgoyne; d. March 17, 1818.

He m. Nov. 30, 1780, Lucy Woodbury, of Barre, who d. July 23, 1831.

Ch.: Polly, Feb. 18, 1781, m. 1809, Samuel Holton.
Charlotte, Sept. 10, 1782, d. April 7, 1788.
Roswell, June 7, 1784 (15).
Asa, Sept. 10, 1786 (16).
Chester, Aug. 3, 1790, d. in Pembroke, April 14, 1815.
Seth, Aug. 9, 1792, m. Freedom A. Holton; pub. at Warwick, April 16, 1823.
Charles A., Dec. 1, 1794; noted surgeon dentist; d. s. p. at Bratt., Jan. 4, 1869.
Alonzo, Dec. 1, 1798 (17).
Albarto, April 23, 1801 (18).

12. Elijah, s. of Hezekiah (8), b. 1751; Rev. sol., 1776–7; d. s. p. May 29, 1819.

He m. April 16, 1778, Abigail, dau. Joseph Stebbins, of Dfd. She d. July 20, 1826.

13. Rufus, s. of Hezekiah (8), b. 1755; d. March 18, 1827.

He m. Nov. 19, 1778, Aseneth, dau. Capt. Samuel Field. She d. April, 1829, a. 71.

Ch.: Sarah, Dec. 2, 1779, m. July 21, 1803, Dr. Stephen Bachilor, of Athol.
Lucy, May 25, 1781, d. Oct. 23, 1781, from a fall into the fire.
Samuel, July 30, 1782, m. March 25, 1807, Livia Ransom, dau. Samuel, of Mont.
Elihu, bapt. Nov. 28, 1784 (19).
John, April 5, 1787, d. Aug. 22, 1790.
Rufus, Sept. 12, 1789 (20).
John, Aug. 8, 1791, d. May 22, 1805.
Elijah, Aug. 22, 1793, killed by lightning, Aug. 5, 1809.
Lucy, March 9, 1796, m. May 11, 1820, Allured Benjamin, of Irving's Grant.
Lorenzo, Dec. 15, 1798 (21).

14. Hezekiah, s. of Hezekiah (8), b. 1766; d. Oct. 24, 1825.

He m. March 5, 1789, Hannah, dau. Reuben Wright. She d. Jan. 5, 1846, a. 81.

Ch.: Charles, May 28, 1790 (22).
Harras, Nov. 24, 1791 (23).
Arad, Oct. 19, 1795 (24).
Hannah, April 25, 1801, m. Sept. 15, 1819, Asahel Sawyer.
Hezekiah, June 26, 1804 (25).
Fanny, Sept. 27, 1811, d. March 31, 1822.

15. Roswell, s. of Asa (11), b. 1784; d. Feb. 22, 1842.

He m. Jan. 26, 1815, Rhoda, dau. Eliphaz Wright. She d. Aug. 28, 1857, a. 74.

Ch.: Chester, March 19, 1816; dentist; sett. in Amherst.
Roswell, Sept. 20, 1818, d. Sept. 20, 1819.
Roswell, Sept. 28, 1820, m. Mary Belknap.
George, July 21, 1823; sett. in Milbury.
Agusta, July 6, 1828; a noted teacher at the west.

16. **Asa**, s. of Asa (11), b. 1786; d. in Greenfield, April 3, 1870.
He m. Dec. 15, 1814, Sophia, dau. Samuel Holton.

Ch.: Sarah, March 4, 1816, d. young.
Frederick S., Jan. 31, 1817; dentist; sett. in Keene, N. H.
Edwin A., Sept. 15, 1819, m. Almira, dau. Roswell Purple. (2), Ellen A. Sawyer; carpenter; rem. to Greenfield.
Charles M., July 19, 1823, m. Oct. 30, 1873, Emma E. Mann; res. in Gfd.; a carpenter.
Sarah A., Feb. 6, 1827, m. Caleb Buffam, of Keene.
Franklin A., Nov. 30, 1829; captain in late war; in government service as civil engineer, at Washington, D. C.
Oscar, Aug. 19, 1832; res. in Greenfield.

17. **Alonzo**, s. of Asa (11), b. 1798; burned to death at Athol, 1871.
He m. Mary, dau. Samuel Wood.

Ch.: Samuel W., March 22, 1827; a sailor; killed by a whale.
Marshall D., Feb. 25, 1829; sett. in Maine.
Francis E., Jan. 27, 1832, m. Elizabeth Putnam.
Mary J., March 1, 1834, m. Amos B. Fulsom.
Lucy M., Jan. 4, 1836, m. Joseph Lord, of Athol.

18. **Albarto**, s. of Asa (11), b. 1801; d. Feb. 28, 1871.
He m. Lucy, dau. Charles Stimpson. She d. March 18, 1874, a. 73.

Ch.: Albert S., Nov. 10, 1823, m. Dec. 4, 1850, Nancy D., dau. Tisdale Drake, of Warwick.
Lucy A., Jan., 1830, d. June 15, 1846.

19. **Elihu**, s. of Rufus (13), b. 1784; d. Jan., 1871.
He m. May 9, 1810, Electa, dau. Elisha Holton. She d. April 9, 1835, a. 47.

Ch.: Elijah, Feb. 4, 1811 (26).
Elihu, Oct. 29, 1812, d. Oct. 15, 1833.
Edwin, Sept. 17, 1815, m. Jane E. Fuller; sett. in Shelburne.
Elisha, Aug. 26, 1818, m. Lucy Sawyer.

20. **Rufus**, s. of Rufus (13), b. 1789.
He m. Dec. 29, 1819, Henrietta Ruggles.

Ch.: Edward R., July 1, 1820.
Abigail F., Jan. 17, 1822, d. young.
Silas A., Sept. 18, 1824.
Rufus W., Jan. 23, 1827; sett. in Amh.
Elizabeth G., July 7, 1829, m. — Cowles, of Leominster.
Stephen B., } May 6, }
Martha B., } 1831, } m. — Merrick.
Calista G., Aug. 6, 1833, m. — Bunker.
Agusta M., May 23, 1836.
Abby S., Oct. 12, 1840, m. — Battles.

21. **Lorenzo**, s. of Rufus (13), b. 1798; d. July 14, 1828.
He m. Feb. 28, 1821, Adeline, dau. Levi Merriman. She m. (2), Simeon A. Field.

Ch.: William H., Dec. 27, 1821, m. Martha Gage.

22. **Charles**, s. of Hezekiah (14), b. 1790; d. Jan. 22, 1839.
He m. June 1, 1814, Polly, dau. Levi Merriman; d. Sept. 25, 1835, a. 41.

Ch.: Almira, Oct. 20, 1815.
Oratio, Feb. 26, 1817, m. Electa Field, a suicide by drowning, Aug. 15, 1843. (2), — Hildreth; rem. to Swanzey, where he committed suicide.
Charles, Oct. 4, 1819; went to California.

23. **Harris**, s. of Hezekiah (14), b. 1791; d. 1872.
He m. 1810, Sophia Ruggles.

Ch.: Erastus W., July 30, 1811, d. Aug. 22, 1812.
Sarah Starr, Dec. 24, 1812, m. Franklin Lord.
Erastus W., Dec. 27, 1815; rem. to Kansas.
George W., Sept. 30, 1817, m. Delia Rice, of Deerfield.
Henry, June 27, 1819, d. June 29, 1819.

Nelson, June 23, 1820, m. Shepherd; res. in London, England.
Wright, March 3, 1822, m. April 10, 1845, Martha Cook. She d. 1856. (2), Nov., 1859, wid. Lois Cook.
Sumner, July 15, 1824, m. Maria Johnson.
Sophia M., July 22, 1826, m. Horace E. Parsons, who shot himself, Oct. 18, 1869.
Harris, Sept. 22, 1828; lives in Kansas.

24. ARAD, s. of Hezekiah (14), b. 1795.
He m. Oct. 6, 1814, Electa Wells.

Ch.: Chester, Jan. 18, 1815; rem. to Penn.; m. Martha —.
Eunice W., Sept. 26, 1818, m. Dr. Owen Lieb, M. C.; Penn.
Henry, Sept. 10, 1820.
Mary W., Oct. 9, 1822, m. Oct. 21, 1852, Hon. S. C. Wells, of Mont. She d. March 16, 1854.
Fanny S., Sept. 20, 1824, d. unm. about 1850.
Hannah G., May 3, 1827, m. Harrison F. Root, of Montague.
Arad, Aug. 29, 1829, m. Nancy Brown.
Electa, Feb. 7, 1835, d. July 22, 1835.
Lemuel, Feb. 27, 1837; rem. to Elmira, N. Y.; m. Martha Wells.

25. HEZEKIAH, s. of Hezekiah (14), b. 1804.
He m. Mercy Evans, of Hinsdale.

Ch.: Hezekiah O., Aug. 28, 1828, m. — Burt.
Marcellus D., Aug. 7, 1834, m. — Capen.

26. ELIJAH, s. of Elihu (19), b. 1811; doctor.
He m. Aug. 17, 1835, Mary Turner Bruce, who d. Dec. 31, 1869.

Ch.: Robert Bruce, Aug. 8, 1836, d. Feb. 2, 1839.
Mary Turner, March 16, 1838.
Thomas Bruce, June 1, 1840, m. May 26, 1867, Elenora A. Pratt.
Virginia S., Sept. 25, 1842, m. May 23, 1861, George Hastings.
John Dousman, March 11, 1845.
Child, d. Nov. 5, 1847.

STRATTON, NATHANIEL, 1809; from Athol.
He m. Esther ——. She m. (2), 1831, Asa Robbins.

Ch.: Stephen, April 30, 1805.
Melinda, Feb. 9, 1807, d. Nov. 6, 1828.
Norris, May 30, 1810; sett. in Leyden; m. Mary Piper, d. 1875.
Harvey, m. Olive Evans.
Warren, m. Cynthia Piper. (2), Lucy Bruce. (3), wid. — Leonard.
Willard.

STRATTON, HARVEY; from Athol, 1815; br. of Nathaniel.
He m. Hannah Foster.

Ch.: Susan F., Sept. 23, 1817.
Mary F., Dec. 12, 1818.
James H., Oct. 7, 1821.
Stephen W., Oct. 14, 1824.
Lucinda H., July 24, 1827, d. April 10, 1831.
Dudley B., Oct. 7, 1829.

1. STROWBRIDGE, JAMES, 1783; d. Oct. 23, 1811, a. 82.
He m. Mary ——, who d. March 3, 1817, a. 84.

Ch.: James; Jr. in 1786 (2).
Henry; tax in Nfd., 1804-10; m. — Lyman.
Prob. Anna; who m. Sept. 18, 1794, Caleb Dean, of Taunton.
Prob. Peggy; who m. Jan. 15, 1786, Luther Dean, of Taunton.
Prob. Gordon, 1773, m. — Leach, and d. June 4, 1839.

2. JAMES, s. of James (1); of Claremont, N. H., 1790.
He m. Feb. 25, 1790, Sarah, dau. Simeon Lyman. She d. Feb. 16, 1833.

Ch.: Order of birth not known. Sarah.
Lyman, Jan. 31, 1793.
Sophia.
Henry.
Ellen.
Fanny.

STUART, Adam, 1812.

STUTSON, Benjamin, 1808. He m. April 22, 1811, Esther Collar.

SUMMERS, John; from Nhn.; at First Settlement of Winchester.
He m. Nov. 15, 1733, Elizabeth, dau. John Alexander.

Ch.: Elizabeth, June 28, 1735, d. Aug. 5, 1739.

1. SWAN, Thomas; doctor; b. in Scotland; Educated in England. His mother was a Stuart, and his father near akin to the McDonald family; came to New England and sett. in Roxbury; d. about 1688, a. 40. July 11, 1681, his house was set on fire by Maria, a negro, and "burned with some in it." For this crime, Maria was sentenced to be *burned at the stake*, and the sentence was executed in Boston, Sept. 22, 1681.

He m. Mary, dau. Thomas Lamb, of Roxbury; she was bapt. Sept. 29, 1648, by the apostle, Eliot.

Ch.: Henry, b. in Boston, May 16, 1665, d. young.
Thomas, d. 1668.
Thomas, Feb. 16, 1669; H. C., 1689; m. Dec. 27, 1692, Prudence Wade; was surgeon at Castle William.
Dorothy, Dec. 29, 1672, d. young.
Peter, and Dorothy, twins, 1674, d. in infancy.
Henry, March 29, 1678, d. soon.
Henry, March 24, 1679; H. C., 1698.
Mary, June 4, 1681.
Peter, June 17, 1684, d. young.
Ebenezer, May 12, 1686 (2).

2. Ebenezer, s. of Thomas (1), b. 1686; master of a vessel in the London trade; d. at sea, about 1716.

He m. Prudence, dau. Timothy Foster, of Dorchester. She d. July 10, 1765, a. 81.

Ch.: Ebenezer, m. — Lamb, of Roxbury; as wid. with three children, she rem. to Bristol, R. I.
Josiah; H. C., 1733; minister at Dunstable; m. — Blanchard.
Thomas; capt. of a vessel in the W. I. trade; lost at sea; age about 37.
William, 1716 (3).

3. William, s. of Ebenezer (2), b. 1716; goldsmith; rem. from Boston to Marlboro, about 1752; thence, about 1754, to Worcester; d. April 12, 1774.

He m. Livina, dau. Gershom Keyes; after the death of her husband, she rem. to Nfd., where she d. March 19, 1813, a. 87.

Ch.: Sarah, March 7, 1743, d. Sept. 3, 1745.
William, March 18, 1745, m. Mercy Porter, of Weymouth; merchant in Groton.
Thomas, Nov. 10, 1747, d. Dec. 3, 1748.
Livina, Aug. 1, 1749, m. July 15, 1779, Jona. Hunt.
Thomas, Aug. 7, 1751, m. Sally Speakman.
Edward, Feb. 8, 1754; sol. of '76; d. in the service, 1779.
Catherine, April 12, 1756, m. Oct. 5, 1774, Caleb Lyman, of Nfd.
Timothy, July 23, 1758 (4).
Henry, Oct. 10, 1760; Methodist minister; resided in Rome, N. Y.
Benjamin, Nov. 12, 1762.
Lucretia, Feb. 14, 1764, m. about 1785, John Webster, a first sett. of Huntsburg, Vt.
Elizabeth, Feb. 14, 1764, m. March 5, 1791, John, s. of Rev. John Hubbard, who sett. in Huntsburg, Vt.
Child, b. and d. April 9, 1770.

4. Timothy, s. of William (3), b. 1758; composer; author of "*China*," "*Poland*," and other pieces of sacred music. He published "*New England Harmony*," 1801; was clerk in country store 7 years; came to Nfd. with his

mother about 1775; here he learned the trade of hatter; left Nfd. for Sfd., Ct., about 1782, where he lived about 25 years; he returned to Nfd., and continued working at his trade, with his nephews, "Tomy and Harry," Lyman. His house was on the lot now occupied by Winsor L. Fay. He had a remarkable love for the poplar, and the lilac; and with these trees his house and door yard were surrounded, forming a hedge so dense, that he was entirely secluded from street or neighbor; this hedge was occupied by flocks of blackbirds, which were his pets, and which he guarded with zealous care. One who knew him says he was "poor, proud, and indolent." Another, that he was a "fine looking old gentleman;" suffering much, but always seeing the bright side; a niece says of him, "my personal recollections are always pleasant. He had a well stored mind, a retentive memory, and a genial temperament, that made him a most agreeable companion." All agree that he was a very peculiar man. One of his musical compositions was written one night, while a child was dying; and the famous "*China*," it is said, was composed while recovering from a fit of intoxication, and was written with his finger, in the sand, on Beers's Plain. Although his oddities did not amount to mania, his life may have been tinged and shadowed by a taint from his mother's blood. She was insane for many years. He was a contributor to the Poet's corner of local newspapers, but none of his effusions are known to us. He was in charge of the library, for a long time.

The following anecdote is told, as illustrating some characteristics of Swan, as well as the caustic wit of a neighbor. Swan had received from his friends in Conn., a new Camlet cloak, of which he was quite proud. Not long after, while walking up and down the street in front of his house, airing his cloak and his vanity, he was espied by Parson Mason, who accosted him with a "good morning, Mr. Swan." "Good morning, sir," returned Swan. "Fine morning. I see you have got a new cloak," continued Mr. Mason. "Yes, a present." "Ah! a cloak of charity; and is it like the other cloak of charity?" queried Mason. In a fury, Swan exclaimed, "Get into the house, you old devil, you."

He d. at Nfd., July 23, 1842, upon his 85th birth day.

He m. Mary, dau. Ebenezer Gay, D. D., of Suffield, Ct., niece of Rev. Bunker Gay, of Hinsdale. She d. Sept. 19, 1841.

Ch.: Mary Gay, m. Jan. 20, 1808, Charles Dana, of Woodstock, Vt.
Elizabeth Eager, d. young.
Betty Lauretta, m. Oct. 5, 1809, Amos Alexander, of Winchester.
George Washington.
Emily Cordelia, 1793, d. Oct. 8, 1856.
Harriet Cushing, 1794, d. 1849.
Sally Cotton, d. young.
Charlotte Keyes.
John Adams.
William Henry, 1800, m. Margaret Bradley, d. in Mich., Oct. 11, 1843.
Ebenezer Gay, 1801; sett. in Ohio; d. Aug. 3, 1850.
Charles Pinckney, d. 1803.
William Cushing, 1805; sett. in Dayton, Ohio; d. Feb. 8, 1844.
Lucy Aglivin, d. in infancy.

SWEET, Jonathan; doctor; 1806.

SWEETLAND, Asa, 1811.

SWEETLAND, Benjamin, 1807–19.

SWEETLAND, Benjamin, Jr., 1813.

SYKES, Nathan, 1775–1781.

SYMES, William; colonel; had home lot and out lands granted him in Nfd., 1721, on condition he sett. there; was sol. in Capt. Kellogg's co., 1722; of Nfd., owning home lot, and buying land there, 1723–4; of Dfd., Oct. 31, 1725; at Nfd. again, 1731; when he received a grant of 3 acres on Pomroy's Island; was in command of the garrison at No. 4, Jan. 3, to Feb. 13, 1747, and was allowed by the Gen. Court of Mass. £140 18*s.* 6*d.* to pay for stores, and wages; of Winch., 1743–52; in Nov. of that year, was prominently engaged in the project of raising a body of 500 men to form a military colony on the Conn. river, at Cowas; the St. Francis Indians, claiming the territory, it was found the plan could be carried out, only at the expense of an Indian war, and was abandoned. In June, 1755, Capt. Symes commanded a fort in Keene, which was successfully defended against an attack by the enemy; Oct. 13, 1755, he was at the head of his co., scouting near Lake George, when he was met by a large party of Indians; in the skirmish which followed, he lost his lieutenant, and a large part of his men; was in the service, 1756, and sent home an invalid, in Nov.; was Esq., of Hins., 1764, and col., of Nfd., 1768.

1. TAYLOR, John, was at Winds., 1640; prob. went there with Rev. Ephraim Huit, or Hewett, Aug. 17, 1639, directly from England; juror, 1641 and 44; Nov. 24, 1645, being "fully intended and prepared for a voyage for England," he made a will, leaving his "daughters in-law," equally to be divided among them, "all my land that lyes on the east of ye great river in lieu of my engagement with them upon my marriage and that my wife shall trayne them up until they come to the age of eighteen years and my said wife to have the benefit of ye sd. land until yt time." He gives to his wife and two sons, his house and all the residue of his lands in the town of Windsor, and all his personal property; his wife to have the use of it until she marry, or the sons come of age. In 1694, this will was presented for probate by John, son of the testator, who was appointed administrator on the estate, with the will annexed. There is a tradition in the family that, soon after making this will, John Taylor sailed for England in the New Haven "Phantom ship," the vessel never heard from, except in the manner narrated below: Rev. James Pierpont, a graduate of Harvard, 1681; minister at New Haven, 1684 to 1714, writes to Cotton Mather, giving an account of a wonderful vision seen there, some half a century before. This letter was incorporated in Mather's "*Magnalia,*" written 1695–6; Pierpont says, the ship sailed in January, 1647; a date accepted, so far as we know, by all subsequent historians; but recent investigations show that the date of departure was certainly Jan., 1645–6. "In compliance with your desire," writes Pierpont, "I now give you the relation of that *apparition* of a *ship in the air*, which I have received from the most credible, judicious, and curious surviving observers of it. In the year 1647, besides much other lading, a far more rich treasure of passengers, (five or six of which were persons of chief note and worth in New Haven,) put themselves on board a *new ship*, built at *Rhode Island*, of about 150 tuns; but so walty, that the master, (*Lamberton,*) often said she would prove their grave. In the month of January, cutting their way through much ice, on which they were accompanied with the Rev. Mr. *Davenport*, besides many other friends, with many fears, as well as prayers and tears, they set sail." "In June next ensuing a great *thunder storm* arose out of the *north-west;* after which, (the *hemisphere* being serene,) about an hour before sun-set, a SHIP of like dimensions with the aforesaid, with her canvas and colours abroad (though the wind

northerly) appeared in the air coming up from our harbour's mouth, which lyes southward from the town, seemingly with her *sails* filled under a fresh gale holding her course north, and continuing under observation, sailing against the wind, for the space of half an hour. *Many* were drawn to behold this great work of God; yea, the very children cryed out, '*There's a brave ship.*' At length, crowding up as far as there is usually ***water sufficient*** for such a vessel, and so near some of the spectators, as they imagined a man might hurl a stone on board her, her ***main-top*** seemed to be blown off, but left hanging in the shrouds; then her *missen-top;* then all her *masting* seemed blown away by the board; quickly after the ***bulk*** brought into a careen, she overset, and so vanished into a smoaky cloud, which in some time dissipated, leaving, as everywhere else, a clear air. The admiring spectators, could distinguish the several colours of each part, the principal rigging and such proportions, as caused not only the generality of persons to say, ***This was the mould of their ship, and thus was her tragick end***, but Mr. *Davenport* also in public declared to this effect, ***That God had condescended, for the quieting of their afflicted spirits, this extraordinary account of his sovereign disposal of those for whom so many fervent prayers were made continually.***"

Mr. Taylor married a widow, who had daughters. She m. (3), —— Hoyt, at Norwalk, Ct.

Ch.: John, 1641 (2).
Thomas, 1643 (3).

2. John, s. of John of Windsor, b. 1641; captain; grantee at Nfd., 1683; sett. at Nhn., where he was killed May 13, 1704, while in pursuit of a party of Indians which had destroyed the Hamlet of Pascomuck.

He m. Dec. 18, 1662, Thankful, dau. Henry Woodward.

Ch.: Thankful, Oct. 27, 1663, m. March 22, 1680, Capt. Benjamin Wright.
Johannah, Sept. 27, 1665, m. 1681, Thomas Alvord, and (2), 1690, Samuel King. (3), Nov. 26, 1702, Deliverance Bridgman, all of Nhn.
John, Oct. 10, 1667; sett. in Norwalk, Ct.; alive 1723.
Rhoda, Sept. 26, 1669, m. Samuel Parsons, of Durham, Ct.
Elizabeth, July 13, 1672, d. 1681.
Mary, Oct. 13, 1673, m. Joseph Atherton.
Jonathan, Sept. 19, 1675, d. before 1723, leaving heirs.
Mindwell, Aug. 19, 1677, m. June 2, 1696, Jonathan Burt.
Lydia, March 18, 1678, m. Samuel Pomroy.
Thomas, Nov. 4, 1680 (4).
Elizabeth, Sept. 17, 1682.
Experience, Oct., 1684, d. young.
Samuel, Aug. 30, 1688 (5).

3. Thomas, s. of John (1), b. 1643; went with his mother to Norwalk, Ct., about 1666; but was one of the earliest settlers of Danbury, Ct., where he d. Jan. 7, 1734-5.

He m. Feb. 14, 1668, Rebecca, dau. Edward Ketchum; their ch. lived to a remarkable age.

Ch.: Thomas, Nov. 26, 1668, died at the age of 90.
Deborah, June, 1671, died at the age of 80.
Joseph, June, 1672, died at the age of 90.
John, June, 1674, died at the age of 70.
Daniel, June, 1676, d. Aug. 12, 1770, aged 94.
Timothy, June, 1678, d. at the age of 56.
Nathan, 1681, d. 1781, aged 100.
Rebecca, 1684, d. 1783, aged 99.
Theopolis, 1687, d. 1777, aged 90.
Eunice, 1689, d. 1779, aged 90.

4. Thomas, s. of John (2); lieutenant; was wounded at Dfd., June 22, 1709, when DeRouville made his second attack on that town. In July, 1712, he went as sergt., under Lieut. Samuel Williams, to convey French prisoners

to Canada; a saddler, in Dfd., 1714; rem. to Nfd., 1716, and was drowned in the Conn. river, after Aug. 21, the next year.

He m. Aug. 31, 1715, Thankful, dau. Eleazer Hawks, of Dfd. She m. (2), before Feb. 20, 1720, Daniel Ashley, of Wfd.

Ch.: Thankful, July 18, 1716.
Thomas, Nov. 26, 1717 (6).

5. SAMUEL, s. of John (2), b. 1688; sergt.; Dfd.; d. March 5, 1734.

He m. Aug. 17, 1715, Sarah Munn, of Spfd., who d. Dec. 26, 1716. (2), July 15, 1718, Mary, dau. Luke Hitchcock, of Spfd. She m. (2), Sept. 2, 1737, Daniel Arms, of Dfd.

Ch.: Samuel, Dec. 19, 1716 (7).
Othniel, April 16, 1719; captain; m. June 27, 1743, Martha, dau. Daniel Arms; sett. in Charlemont.
Mary, Jan. 20, 1721, d. Feb. 9, 1721.
John, Jan. 17, 1722, m. Dec. 13, 1744, Mercy Nims; kept tavern in Dfd.; rem. to Charlemont.
Jonathan, Feb. 7, 1724; rem. to Charlemont, with brothers, as first settlers of that plantation.

6. THOMAS, s. of Thomas (4), b. 1717; captain; shoemaker; as sergt., was in command of that party of 17 men, which was attacked by 100 French and Indians, July 14, 1748, while on a march from Nfd. to Fort Dummer. [*See ante*, p. 267.] After a desperate resistance, Taylor was captured, and carried to Canada, where he was kept in close confinement until Sept. 2. He was released, and arrived home Sept. 27, and at once returned to his duties; Nov., 1748, the Gen. Court, "in consideration of his bravery in that action," voted Sergt. Taylor £50; he lost a "choice good French gun," worth £18, Old Tenor; and a pair of leather breeches, worth £10 O. T.; for both of which he was allowed pay. It is related by Dea. Shattuck, of Hinsdale, that after the action was over, Taylor was seated on a log, between two Indians, when one of them, who was an acquaintance, said to him: "Tom I am going to kill you, because you killed my brother." "But," said the sergt., "he shot first." The Indian, dropping his head, remained silent a moment, and then replied, "So he did;" and the captive was spared. There has been, and probably now is, somewhere in the Taylor family, a painting representing this scene. He settled on land now in Hinsdale, where he d. March 24, 1778. He kept a tavern on the Charlestown road, which his widow continued, and made famous, for many years after his death.

He m. Sarah, dau. Theopolis Merriman. (2), about 1755, Sarah, dau. Joseph Stebbins. She d. Sept. 11, 1809, a. 82.

Ch.: Thomas, Aug. 4, 1740.
Thankful, Sept. 6, 1741, m. about 1762, Josiah Willard, of Keene, N. H.
Elijah, May 28, 1756, m. — Linkfield; sol. of '76; sett. in Castleton, Vt.; d. about 1823.
Hollis, Feb. 11, 1758 (8).
Mindwell, Dec. 1, 1759, m. (2), Dr. Joseph Goodhue, of Dfd.
Sarah, Dec. 20, 1761.
Thomas, March 4, 1764, m. Clara Babcock; sett. in Charlestown, N. H.
Calvin, March 19, 1766; surgeon in the U. S. A.; d. in the service, at Chickasaw Bluffs.
Thankful, April 5, 1768, m. April 3, 1789, Stephen Bradley, Esq., of Westminster, Vt.
Eleazer, May 19, 1772, m. Oct., 1793, Polly Wood; he d. 1810.

7. SAMUEL, s. of Samuel (5), b. 1716; ensign; of Winch., 1743; sol. at Fort Mass., from 1746 to 1757; Charlemont, March, 1757; of Nfd., April 8, 1758; he and his wife were dismissed from church, in Nfd., March 5, 1780, to be gathered into a church in Hartford, Vt.

He m. Sept. 20, 1738, Anne, dau. Ebenezer Alexander.

Ch.: Sarah, Sept. 30, 1739.
Anne, Oct. 15, 1741, m. May 5, 1761, Eldad Wright, of Winch.
Mary, Nov. 19, 1743.
Asa, June 18, 1746, m. July 5, 1769, Dinah Woods.
Oliver, Oct. 22, 1748; of Nfd., 1771.
Solomon, July 10, 1751.
Susanna, June 27, 1754; at Fort Mass.
Elias, June 27, 1756; at Hoosac.
Joanna, Jan. 31, 1760.

8. Hollis, s. of Thomas (6), b. 1758; sett. in Hins; d. Sept. 3, 1845.

He m. Jan. 4, 1784, Christain, dau. Paul Field. She d. June 1, 1833, a. 72.

Ch.: Harriet, July 26, 1784, m. March 23, 1802, Randolph Wright.
John, Jan. 1, 1786, d. March 9, 1846.
Alpheus, Aug. 27, 1787, m. Lydia Bridges; sett. in Bratt.
William, July 25, 1789, m. Dec. 6, 1820, Delia Hooker; he d. 1861.
Thankful, April 20, 1791, m. May 20, 1801, Jason Evans.
Lewis, April 12, 1793 (9).
Sereno, Dec. 30, 1794, m. Mary E. Creed, of Taunton, N. J.; sett. in Miss.
Emily, May 16, 1797, m. Oct. 27, 1815, Pardon H. Newell.
Calvin, June 30, 1800; scalded, and d. Feb. 19, 1803.
Adeline S., Aug. 26, 1802, d. May 27, 1803.
Edwin H., Aug. 27, 1802, d. May 16, 1833.
Calvin, 1804, d. in infancy.
Calvin, Sept. 9, 1805, m. Sept. 14, 1830, Mary A. Bascom; sett. in Miss.

9. Lewis, s. of Hollis (8), b. 1793; Hins. He erected in 1874, a monument near the spot where his grandfather was cap., in 1748. [*See ante*, p. 276.]

He m. Nov. 8, 1820, Lois, dau. Ezekiel Webster. She d. May 1, 1864.

Ch.: Prentice W., April 25, 1822, m. Dec. 1, 1846, Eveline M. Wellman.
Caroline S., Aug. 4, 1823, d. July 3, 1847, in Oakland, N. Y.
Hollis, March 4, 1826, d. May 23, 1862, m. May 17, 1747, Mary A. Johnson, of Nfd.
William M., Dec. 1, 1827, d. March 26, 1861, m. Dec. 11, 1856, Ellenor J. Guion.
Susan H., Nov. 26, 1829, m. July 17, 1854, Frederick T. Kemper, of Muscatine, Iowa.
Emily M., July 30, 1831, m. May 1, 1857, Rev. Moses H. Wells, of Hins.
Edwin H., Oct. 25, 1833, m. April 23, 1863, Bessie McCarty, at Boonville, Mo.
Julia E., Sept. 20, 1836, d. Sept. 25, 1863.
Henry M., April 21, 1838, m. Nancy McCarty, at Boonsfield, Mo.

TEMPLE, Parmenas, 1806–15; rem. to Ber.; was of Palermo, N. Y., 1838.

He m. Hannah, dau. John Caldwell.

Ch.: Daniel W., Aug. 31, 1809.

TEMPLETON, Thomas. He m. Sally ——.

Ch.: Thomas Green, Nov. 14, 1821.

THURSTON, John. He m. Lydia ——.

Ch.: Miranda, Sept. 19, 1813, d. young.
Wesson, Nov. 14, 1816.

THURSTON, John; captain; tavern keeper; from Fitchburg; rem. to Milton, N. H., 1837; d. 1855.

He m. Elizabeth Dascom, who d. in Lunenburg, June 9, 1873.

Ch.: Mary E., 1834.

TIFFANY, Edward L., 1770; Rev. sol.; ferryman; d. May 15, 1819.
He m. Feb. 13, 1770, Mary, dau. John Moffat.

Ch.: Resign, Aug. 30, 1771, d. Dec. 12, 1817.
John, Aug. 11, 1773, m. Dec. 12, 1795, Katherine Field. She m. (2), Feb. 26, 1801, John Robbins.
Edward, July 7, 1775, m. Sept. 11, 1800, Sally Richards.
Asa, Jan. 15, 1778, d. unm. March 2, 1861.
Isaiah, Sept. 30, 1779.
William, July 8, 1781, d. March 11, 1782.
Betsey, Feb. 2, 1784, d. unm.
Mary, July 11, 1786, d. Sept. 15, 1787.
William, July 15, 1788, d. March 7, 1803.
Frederick, July 2, 1790; sett. in Michigan.
Harry, Nov. 24, 1792, m. Feb. 6, 1820, Sophia Mallory.
Horace, Oct. 17, 1794.

TILDEN, Stephen, 1818; rem. to Orange.
He m. June 23, 1819, Susanna, dau. Levi Merriman. (2), widow —— Clark.

Ch.: Nathaniel J., Aug. 31, 1819.
Caroline A., Feb. 18, 1823.
Levi M., Feb. 27, 1826.
Marciann, June 26, 1832, m. prob. Adam Torrey.

TIMSON, Robert, 1803.

TIMSON, Thomas, 1802; d. Sept. 27, 1832. He m. Lucretia Stimson.

Ch.: John, d. Nov. 24, 1832.

TODD, Samuel, 1775–93.

TORREY, Adam, 1814; prob. m. Marciann Tilden.

TOWN, Elijah, 1772–5; under Capt. Thomas Alexander, in expedition to Quebec, 1776.

TOWN, Samuel, 1781.

TRESCOTT, Savage, 1763.

TRIPP, Robert, 1800; from Freetown, R. I. He m. Jane ——.

Ch.: Robert, b. at Freetown, d. Sept. 20, 1802, a. 8.
Thomas, Sept. 15, 1800.
Betsey, May 31, 1803.
Robert, June 10, 1806, m. Patty Merriman.
Lurana, Feb. 3, 1809.
William.
Debora.

TUBBS, Isaac, 1797.

TURNER, Ishmael; Rev. sol. 1776; an African slave, owned by Esq. Seth Field.

TURNER, Marcus, 1817.

TURNER, Zadock; a Rev. soldier; d. Feb. 11, 1828.

TWICHELL, David; from Fitzwilliam, or Swanzey, N. H.
He m. Persis ——.

Ch.: Joanna, June 26, 1822, at Swanzey, N. H.
Sarah, Oct. 21, 1824.
David N., July 8, 1825; rem. to N. York.
Persis, Sept. 16, 1827, m. — Martin, of Chesterfield, N. H.
Daniel, April 19, 1830; rem. to New York State.

VOSE, Solomon; H. C., 1787; lawyer; Nfd., 1796; U. S. assessor, 1798; rep.; first P. M. in Nfd., 1798; rem. to Augusta, Me.; d. 1809.

He m. Eliza Putnam.

Ch.: Rufus C., June 24, 1798.
George H., Oct. 25, 1801.
Richard H., Nov. 8, 1803.

VOSE, or VORCE, William, 1781; Rev. sol.; at West Point, 1780.

WAIT, Elmer, 1813. He m. Betsey ——.

Ch.: Lucretia, Oct. 12, 1811.
Phineas W., Feb. 28, 1813.
Asa W., Aug. 12, 1816.
Elmer P., Jan. 4, 1822.
Armory W., Oct. 15, 1824.
Waldo F., Oct. 2, 1826.

1. WALBRIDGE, Henry; Norwich, Ct.; d. July 25, 1729.

He m. Anna ——.

Ch.: Anna, March 8, 1702.
Ebenezer, May 15, 1705 (2).
Margaret, Sept. 11, 1711.

2. Ebenezer, s. of Henry (1), b. 1705.

He m. Dec. 2, 1730, Mary Durkee, who d. May 9, 1749. (2), Oct. 16, 1749, Elizabeth Hyde.

Ch.: Mary, March 5, 1732.
Margaret, Jan. 26, 1734, d. June 2, 1736.
Susanna, May 11, 1736.
Ebenezer, Dec. 20, 1738 (3).
Rhoda, July 14, 1741.
Henry; ord. sergt. at battle of Bennington, where he was killed, Aug. 16, 1777.
Anna, Nov. 29, 1746, d. Feb. 17, 1752.
Gustavus, Aug. 6, 1750, d. Dec. 26, 1751.
Hezekiah, Nov. 26, 1751, d. Dec. 16, 1751.
Elizabeth, 1752.
Gustavus, Oct. 4, 1755.

3. Ebenezer, s. of Ebenezer (2), b. 1738; sol. in French and Indian war; carpenter; Nfd., 1760; worked upon the meeting house there, 1763–5; rem. to Bennington, 1768 or 9; lieut. in Col. Warner's regt. of "Green Mountain boys," in expedition to Canada, 1776; March 3, 1776, was adjutant of the regt. before Quebec; served as adjt. at the battle of Bennington; col. of the Bennington reg., 1780; was in active service at several periods during the war; brig. gen. of Vermont militia; commanded the Vermont troops called out to resist the forces, sent by New York to maintain her jurisdiction over the "New Hampshire Grants;" rep. 2 years; state counsellor, 8 years; an enterprising business man, he built the first paper mill in Vermont. Stebbins D. Walbridge, of North Bennington, in a letter giving his recollections of his grandfather, says: "Gen. Ebenezer Walbridge, at the age of 80, was one of the most venerable looking men I ever saw; dressed in short breeches, long stockings, silver shoe buckles, three cornered hat, silk waistcoat; and with an eagle eye, which never cowered before men, he constituted a figure, and presence, not often seen in those days. I often rode out with him in his carriage about our town, where he was always saluted by his title, and always saluted every one with a grace, that commanded respect from all." He d. Oct. 3, 1819.

He m. Feb. 9, 1762, Elizabeth, dau. Joseph Stebbins. She d. Sept. 24, 1822, a. 86.

Ch.: Henry, Aug. 22, 1762, m. Mary Hopkins; sett. in central New York.
Gustavus, Oct. 27, 1763, m. Clara Dewey. (2), Rhoda Rutenber.
Rodolphus, Oct. 27, 1763.
Susanna, Sept. 15, 1765, m. Gad Chapin; had 16 ch.; d. in Penn., 1820.
Rodolphus, March 9, 1767, m. Polly Demming; sett. in Lansingburg, N. Y.
Sarah, Dec. 28, 1768, d. May 1, 1770.

Stebbins, Aug. 10, 1770 (4).
Sarah, Dec. 26, 1771, d. June 23, 1781.
Betsey, Oct. 16, 1773, m. Chauncey Hopkins.
Ebenezer W., Oct. 27, 1779, m. Sally Morgan. (2), Mrs. Martha Woodward; grad. W. C.; a lawyer; sett. in Lansingburg, N. Y.; d. 1856.

4. Stebbins, s. of Ebenezer (3), b. 1770; Bennington.

He m. Oct. 18, 1796, Betsey, dau. Seth Denio, from Greenfield.

Ch: Sophia, m. John Winnie, of Albany.
Betsey, m. Ziel Hicks.
Stebbins D., m. Harriet Hicks.
George, m. Mary A. Olin; sett. in N. York city.
Charlotte V.; res. in Albany.
Fanny, m. Joseph N. Hinsdell, of N. York city.
Ebenezer, d. in infancy.
Ebenezer S., m. Mary A. Hicks.

WALCOTT, John. He m. Lydia ——.

Ch.: Nathaniel, Oct. 12, 1806.

WARD, Samuel, 1815.

WARE, Pliny, 1802.

1. WARNER, Andrew; Cambridge, 1632; Hart., 1639; withdrew from 1st church there, March 12, 1656; an engager for Hadley, April 18, 1659, and one of her first settlers; d. Dec. 18, 1684. First wife unknown.

He m. (2), Esther, wid. of Thomas Selden, who d. 1693.

Ch.: Order of birth unknown; Mary, m. 1645, John Steel. (2), William Hills.
Robert, m. 1654, Elizabeth Grant. (2), Mrs. Deliverance Rockwell; he d. in Middletown, Ct., April 10, 1689.
Andrew, m. Rebecca Fletcher; d. in Middletown, Jan. 26, 1681.
Daniel, about 1643 (2).
Isaac, about 1645 (3).
Jacob, m. Rebecca —. (2), Elizabeth, dau. Richard Goodman.
Ruth; admonished, and fined, Jan., 1677, for wearing silk contrary to law; m. John, or Daniel Pratt.
John, of Middletown.

2. Daniel, s. of Andrew (1); lieutenant; Hfd.; grantee of Nfd., 1682; and there at the Second Settlement; d. at Hfd., April 30, 1692.

He m. Mary ——, who d. Sept. 19, 1672. (2), April 1, 1674, Martha, dau. Robert Boltwood. She d. Sept. 22, 1710.

Ch.: Mary, Feb. 24, 1663.
Daniel, m. Dec. 12, 1688, Mary Hubbard, lived in Hart., and Hardwick.
Sarah, Jan. 24, 1667, m. Nov. 25, 1685, Isaac Sheldon, of Nhn.; a petitioner, 1671.
Andrew.
Anna, Nov. 17, 1669, m. Isaac Hubbard.
Mary, Sept. 19, 1672, per. m. Samuel Sheldon.
Hannah, Jan. 24, 1675, m. Oct. 14, 1696, Samuel Ingram.
John, April, 1677; rem. to Wfd., where he d. 1714.
Abraham, Dec. 20, 1678.
Samuel, April 13, 1680, m. May 1, 1715, Hannah Sackett.
Ebenezer, Nov. 5, 1681, m. Dec. 15, 1709, Ruth Ely; lived in Belchertown.
Mehitable, Oct. 1, 1683, m. Jan. 21, 1803, Preserved Clapp.
Elizabeth, m. Dec. 25, 1705, Thomas Wells, of Haddam, Ct.
Esther, Dec. 15, 1686, m. June 26, 1707, Samuel Henry, or Harvey.
Martha, April 3, 1688, d. Nov. 25, 1689.
Nathaniel, Oct. 15, 1690.

3. Isaac, s. of Andrew (1), b. 1645; Nfd. at the Second Settlement; d. at Deerfield, 1690 or 91.

He m. May 31, 1666, Sarah, dau. Robert Boltwood. She m. (2), Dec. 30, 1696, Dea. John Loomis, of Windsor.

Ch.: Sarah, May 2, 1668, m. — French, per. Jona., of Nhn.
Isaac, Jan. 13, 1670 (4).
Mary, Jan. 6, 1672, m. Samuel Crowfoot.

Andrew, Feb. 24, 1673; per. rem. to Saybrook, Ct.
Hannah, Nov. 14, 1674.
Ebenezer, 1676 (5).
Daniel, Feb. 25, 1677; of Dfd., 1702; m. April 13, 1704, Sarah Golden.
Samuel, March 14, 1681, m. Nov. 8, 1702, Sarah, dau. Samuel Field; he was then of Springfield.
Ruth, Oct. 18, 1682.
Mercy, Sept. 25, 1685, m. Samuel Gilbert, of Hebron, Ct.
Ichabod; sett. in Mansfield, Ct.
Lydia, m. Dec. 8, 1698, Joseph Brooks, of Dfd. and Nfd.
Thankful, m. — Loomis.
Mehitable, m. 1715, Samuel Hitchcock, of Springfield.

4. Isaac, s. of Isaac (3), b. 1670; Nfd. at the Third Settlement; d. Sept. 8, 1754.

He m. Jan. 24, 1694, Hope, dau. Timothy Nash.

Ch.: Isaac, Nov. 12, 1694, d. Feb. 18, 1711.
Daniel, Oct. 10, 1697, d. April 7, 1698.
Sarah, April 3, 1699.
Rebecca, Sept. 5, 1701.
Israel, Dec. 1, 1703; sol. 1758; d. unm. in Nfd., Nov. 12, 1772.
Ruth, Feb. 14, 1706, d. young.
Ebenezer, Jan. 26, 1709 (6).
Ruth, July 13, 1713.

5. Ebenezer, s. of Isaac (3), b. 1676; sett. in Dfd.; cap., with all his family, Feb. 29, 1704; he was carried to Canada, but was redeemed; alive, 1748.

He m. Jan. 5, 1698–9, Waitstill, dau. William Smead. She was killed on the march to Canada.

Ch.: Samuel, Nov. 26, 1699; carried to Canada, but returned.
Waitstill, Nov. 6, 1701; never returned.

6. Ebenezer, s. of Isaac (4), b. 1709; d. Oct. 20, 1768.

He m. Lydia, dau. Joseph Brooks. She d. Sept. 25, 1793, a. 87.

Ch.: Lydia, Feb. 21, 1742–3, m. Nov. 9, 1775, Amaziah Robberts.
Ebenezer, Dec. 7, 1744.
Samuel, July 6, 1748 (7).

7. Samuel, s. of Ebenezer (6), b. 1748; rem. to Greenfield.

He m. Aug. 19, 1775, Abigail, dau. Pedajah Field.

Ch.: Ebenezer, bapt. Nov. 17, 1776.
Samuel, bapt. Aug. 9, 1778.
Lydia, bapt. July 23, 1780.
Sarah and Mary, twins, bapt. July 3, 1785.
Electa, bapt. March 7, 1788.
Phila, bapt. Feb. 9, 1791.
Amaziah R., bapt. July 28, 1793.

1. WARRINER, William; Spfd., 1638; d. June 2, 1676.

He m. July 31, 1639, Joanna Searl, who d. Feb. 7, 1661. (2), Oct. 2, 1661, Elizabeth, wid. of John Hitchcock. She m. (3), Joseph Baldwin, of Hadley. She d. April 25, 1696.

Ch.: James, Jan. 21, 1641, m. 1664, Elizabeth Baldwin, of Hadley.
Hannah, Aug. 17, 1643, m. Nov. 1, 1660, Thomas Noble, of Westfield.
Joseph, Feb. 6, 1645 (2).

2. Joseph, s. of William (1), b. 1645; Had.; Nfd. at the Second Settlement; rem. to Enfield, Ct., 1691; d. 1697.

He m. Nov. 25, 1668, Mary, dau. Richard Montague. She d. July 22, 1689, a. 47. (2), July 12, 1691, Sarah, wid. of Daniel Collins. She m. (2), Obadiah Abbee.

Ch.: Mary, Nov. 17, 1669, m. 1691, Zachariah Booth.
Joseph, Jan. 16, 1671, d. Nov. 1, 1672.
Joseph, Jan. 6, 1672; sett. in Enfield, Ct.
Hannah, Sept. 10, 1674, m. 1691, Robert Pease, Jr.

Ebenezer, Jan. 18, 1676; sett. in Enfield.
Dorcas, June 27, 1678.
Abigail, Aug. 23, 1680, d. July 21, 1689.
Joanna, Nov. 8, 1682, m. 1708, Thomas Colton.
Elizabeth, Sept. 30, 1686.
Abigail, } May 4,
Mary, } 1692.

1. WATRISS, WATROUS, prob. originally WATERS, Oliver; blacksmith; from Ct.; Nfd., 1769; Rev. sol; was at the sur. of Burgoyne; d. July 22, 1825.

He m. Aug. 30, 1772, Rhoda, dau. Phineas Wright. She d. Nov. 16, 1773, a. 25. (2), Lucy, dau. Ebenezer Field. She d. June 9, 1812, a. 60.

Ch.: Infant, d. 1773.
Lucy, June 1, 1775, d. Nov. 28, 1791.
Rhoda, bapt. Aug. 13, 1776, d. young.
Rhoda, July 28, 1777, m. Sept. 10, 1795, Simeon Boyden, of Boston.
Richard, Nov. 12, 1779, d. Dec. 13, 1779.
Richard, May 10, 1782 (2).
Harris, Dec. 21, 1783 (3).
Oliver, March 10, 1790.

2. Richard, s. of Oliver (1), b. 1782; d. Nov. 23, 1859.

He m. Fanny, dau. Reuben Smith. She d. Sept. 12, 1864, a. 65.

Ch.: Elijah Williams, Dec. 11, 1816, d. unm. June 28, 1868.

3. Harris, s. of Oliver (1), b. 1783; d. May 22, 1817.

He m. Oct. 28, 1805, Hannah, dau. Jabez Whiting; she became blind; d. Sept. 8, 1870, a. 84.

Ch.: William, Dec. 8, 1805; rem. to Cambridge.
George, Oct. 14, 1807; of California.
Maria, March 11, 1810, m. John Torrey, of Eastern.
Oliver, Feb. 14, 1813, m. Sarah Gregory; rem. to Cambridge.
Charles, at Boston Dec. 4, 1814; tailor; res. in Boston; m. — Williams.

WATRISS, Sylvanus; from New Windsor; Rev. sol., 1779.

He m. Rhoda, dau. Seth Field.

Ch.: Asa, June 10, 1781.
Henry, Oct. 1, 1782.
Patty, bapt. Feb. 4, 1787.

WATRISS, Philomelia, b. Feb. 6, 1775. She m. April 2, 1801, Samuel Hunt.

WATRISS, William, 1788–9.

WATTON, John, 1799; b. in Watton Edge, Eng., 1761; ran away, and became cabin boy; his vessel was captured by an American cruiser, and he was imprisoned in Taunton jail; befriended by the jailor, he was apprenticed to a nail maker; enlisted in the Rev. army, and was at the surrender of Burgoyne; sett. in Nfd., after the war; d. Dec. 12, 1824.

He m. Laura Smith. (2), wid. Elizabeth (Bigeloe) Green, who d. April 7, 1831, a. 71.

Ch.: John, who became a sailor.
Thomas, m. Betty Haskins; rem. to Ohio, after 1812.
Mary, m. Oliver Gould.
Lucinda, m. Jabez French, of Nhn.
Charles; a sol. in the Mexican war; went to Canada.
Hannah K., Dec. 16, 1797, m. Jan. 2, 1817, Mark Woodward.
Wright, July 10, 1799, m. May 20, 1822, Laticia F. Gould; sett. in Ware.
Sally, June 29, 1801, d. Aug. 29, 1803; buried the day of the "Seven Funerals."
Hiram B., March 21, 1805, m. Oct. 23, 1825, Laura (Stratton) Peabody.

WEBB, Ebenezer, 1729; from Spfd. He m. Miriam ——.

Ch.: Jerusha, Nov. 5, 1739.
John, Jan. 2, 1741–2.
Ebenezer, Feb. 12, 1743–4.

WEBSTER, Asahel; from Gfd.; prob. lived in Gill.
He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Hannah, bapt. May 25, 1766.
William, bapt. July 3, 1768.
Lucy, bapt. July 21, 1771.
Jona., bapt. June 12, 1775.
Geo. P., bapt. May 8, 1783.
Chester, bapt. Feb. 15, 1786.

WEBSTER, George, 1807.

1. WEBSTER, John; Hart., 1637; rep., 1637; mag., 1639; dep. gov., 1655; commissioner for the United Colonies; and gov., 1656. He took sides with Rev. John Russell, in the church troubles which led to the settlement of Hadley, in 1659, to which place he rem.; d. April, 1661.

He m. Agnes. Date or order of birth of children unknown.

Ch.: Mary, m. Hunt, prob. John, in Eng. She d., leaving Jonathan and Mary, June 25, 1659.
Mathew; sett. in Farmington; d. July 16, 1655.
Anne, m. John Marsh, of Had., and d. June 9, 1662.
Robert, m. about 1652, Susanna, dau. Richard Treat, of Wfd.; he rem. from Middletown to Hart., about 1659, where he was rep. 1659; lieut. in Philip's war; d. before May, 1677.
Elizabeth, m. about 1658, William Markham, of Had.
Thomas (2).
William, m. Feb. 17, 1670, Mary, dau. Thomas Reeve, of Spfd.; he d. 1688.

2. Thomas, s. of John (1); Nhn.; rem. to Nfd., 1673; retired to Hadley at the breaking up, 1675, but returned at the Second Settlement, 1685; d. 1686.

He m. June 16, 1663, Abigail, dau. George Alexander, of Nhn. She d. before March, 1690.

Ch.: Abigail, Jan. 9, 1668, d. in infancy.
Abigail, Jan. 10, 1669.
George, Nov. 7, 1670, m. 1696, Sarah Bliss, of Spfd.; of Lebanon, Ct., 1705.
John, Feb. 26, 1672; a first settler in Lebanon.
Elizabeth, Nov. 26, 1676.
Thankful, Jan. 12, 1679, m. Dec. 12, 1700, John Bascom, of Nhn., who rem. to Lebanon about 1729, and d. June 27, 1755.
Mary, May 25, 1681.

1. WEBSTER, Stephen, 1805; from Ber.; d. Feb. 4, 1818, a. 89.
3d wife, Patience, d. Aug. 1, 1809.

Ch.: Ezekiel, b. about 1757 (2).

2. Ezekiel, s. of Stephen (1), b. 1757; rep. 3 years; blacksmith; from Dfd., 1782; d. Feb. 9, 1839.

He m. Lois Norton, b. May 1, 1759, d. July 21, 1831. (2), May 23, 1832, Hannah, wid. of John Holton.

Ch.: Melenda, Sept. 6, 1783, d. March 25, 1811.
Sophia, Oct. 29, 1785, m. Thomas Mason, of Cambridge.
Ezekiel, Jan. 19, 1788; H. C., 1812; m. Elizabeth Cushing, of Fitchburg, who d. April 28, 1850, a. 60. He d. June 26, 1845.
Arad, June 9, 1790, d. June 27, 1790.
Susa, Aug. 6, 1792, m. Feb. 3, 1814, Henry Holton.
Arad, Jan. 25, 1795 (3).
Lois, Nov. 4, 1797, m. Nov. 8, 1820, Lewis Taylor, of Hinsdale.
Rebecca, Sept. 28, 1800, m. May 25, 1823, Stephen B. Williams, of Warwick.

3 Arad, s. of Ezekiel (2), b. 1795; d. 1872.

He m. 1830, Lucy, dau. Joseph Williams, of Warwick. She d. Dec. 14, 1863, a. 60.

Ch.: Lewis T., April 27, 1832; merchant; P. M.; m. Oct. 5, 1854, Mary A., dau. Franklin Lord.
Lois S., May 4, 1833, m. Oct. 10, 1860, Charles W. Hastings, of Orange.
Ellen M. June 18, 1836, m. March 5, 1862, Alexander Brown, of Vernon.
Charles E., Feb. 27, 1839.
Henry W., July 26, 1841, m. March 1, 1866, Amanda Smith.
Lucy M., Oct. 14, 1848.

WEEKS, Thomas, 1731–7. He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Eunice, Aug. 15, 1737.
Prob. John.

WEEKS, Uriah; sol. in Capt. Thomas Alexander's co., in expedition to Canada, 1776; d. Dec. 19, 1837.

He m. Susa ——.

Ch.: Uriah, June 21, 1808.
John, July 10, 1810.

WEEKS, William; prob. s. of William, of Dorchester; Nfd., at the Third Settlement.

WELLS, Cephas, 1802–4.

WELLS, Solomon, 1797–1804.

WELLS, Thomas, 1723; cordwainer; soon ret. to Deerfield.

WHEELER, Barzillai, 1808–1814; run a distillery.

WHEELER, Henry, 1789.

WHEELOCK, James, 1793.

WHIPPLE, Joseph, 1763.

WHITCOMB, Reuben, 1789–90.

WHITCOMB, Robert, 1789–91; Rev. sol., 1781.
He m. May 10, 1791, Lois Hill.

WHITE, Abigail; m. about 1785, Asa Robbins.

WHITE, Ebenezer; jeweller; Nfd., 1781 to 1801. He m. Olive ——.

Ch.: Nancy, Jan. 25, 1780.
Ivory, Oct. 5, 1782.
Josiah, Oct. 9, 1785.
Jephthae, bapt. June 8, 1788.
Susa, bapt. Nov. 4, 1792.
Pearly, bapt. June 29, 1793.
Infant, d. March 6, 1799.

WHITE, James, 1814; s. of Asaph, of Heath, b. March 9, 1781; clothier; state senator three years; d. Nov. 5, 1858.

He m. June 20, 1803, Polly Wilder, who d. June 28, 1820, a. 47. (2), Oct. 11, 1821, Hannah Draper, of Gfd., who d. Dec. 24, 1868, a. 76.

Ch.: Phidelia, Sept. 28, 1804, d. unm. May 3, 1872.
Caroline, Sept. 13, 1806, m. Jan. 8, 1833, Porter Cowles, of Amherst.
Diana, Feb. 27, 1808, d. unm. Dec. 30, 1838.
Josephine, Jan. 12, 1810, d. unm. Feb. 22, 1857.
Edmund B., Jan. 12, 1813, d. Jan. 26, 1813.
Marshall, Aug. 17, 1816, d. July 19, 1822. [Amos, in *Town rec.*]
Julia, May 18, 1823.

WHITE, Josiah, 1789–1810; rem. to Nhn.

WHITE, William; "rem. from Ber. to Nfd., March 26, 1756, in the afternoon;" d. in Hadley, Dec. 30, 1810, a. 78.

He m. Jan. 28, 1757, Lydia, dau. Eleazer Patterson. (2), Nov. 14, 1765, Martha Chapin, of Springfield.

Ch.: Giles, bapt. Feb. 26, 1758, m. Sarah Dodd; rem. to Cobleskill, N. Y.
Lydia, bapt. Oct. 5, 1766.
Sarah.
Mary.
William.
Samuel.
Gad.

WHITHEAD, Gad, 1814. He m. Thankful ——.

Ch.: Lucinda, June 20, 1815.
Franklin, Feb. 16, 1818.
Cynthia, m. Elisha Alexander.
Thankful, m. Frederick Alexander.

1. WHITING, William; Dover; b. Jan. 11, 1726, d. Feb. 10, 1814.

He m. Hannah, dau. Caleb Ellis. She d. Nov. 28, 1813, a. 77.

Ch.: Caleb, Nov. 18, 1754.
Jabez, Jan. 11, 1758 (2).
Ellis, Sept. 29, 1760; sett. in Amherst.
Hannah, April 10, 1768, m. Nathaniel Draper, of Hartford.
Julia, May 1, 1777, m. — Allen, of Dover.
Enoch, July 18, 1781; sett. in Amherst; d. at St. Albans, Vt.

2. Jabez, s. of William (1), b. 1758; tanner; rem. from Warwick to Nfd., 1797; d. Oct. 6, 1834.

He m. Oct. 26, 1779, Rebecca, dau. Abner Ellis, of Dedham. She d. July 1, 1841, a. 80.

Ch.: Jabez, Nov. 4, 1780, m. July 30, 1819, Lucy Harwood.
Rebecca, Jan. 26, 1783, m. June 9, 1811, Elihu Mattoon, and d. Aug. 8, 1870.
Betsey, Aug. 12, 1784, m. Feb. 1, 1802, Josiah D. Lyman.
Hannah, Nov. 14, 1786, m. Oct. 28, 1805, Harris Watriss.
Abner E., Feb. 7, 1789.
Harriet, Sept. 23, 1796, d. Aug. 18, 1810.
Mary G., May 20, 1798, m. Oct. 16, 1821, Jonathan Belcher.
George, March 13, 1802, m. Mary Roe.
Anne, March 7, 1806, d. Feb. 22, 1823.

1. WHITNEY, Aaron, s. of Moses, of Littleton; b. 1714; H. C., 1737; ordained minister to the "Plantation at Nichewang," now Petersham, Dec., 1738. Mr. Whitney was a strong tory, while the town of Petersham was ardently whig, and at the opening of the revolution, voted that they would "not bargain with him, nor employ, the Rev. Mr. Whitney, to preach for them any longer." Mr. Whitney, however, persisted in preaching, and when kept from entering the pulpit, by an armed guard, he preached at his own house to such as would come, until his death in 1779.

He m. July 12, 1739, Alice Baker, of Phillipston. She d. Aug. 26, 1767. (2), Ruth, wid. of Rev. Daniel Stearns, of Lunenburg. She was of Nfd., 1780, but d. at Keene, N. H., Nov. 1, 1788.

Ch.: Abel, 1740, d. at H. C., March 15, 1756.
Peter, Sept. 6, 1744; H. C., 1762; ordained minister of Northborough, Nov. 4, 1767; author *History of Worcester County*; d. 1816.
Charles; sett. in Phillipston.
Aaron (2).
Alice, m. Ensign Man; H. C., 1746; a teacher, in Petersham.
Lucy, m. Dr. Samuel Kendall, of New Salem. She d. at Western, 1784.
Paul; H. C., 1772; doctor; sett. in Wfd.; d. 1795.
Abel, March 15, 1756, the same day his br. Abel died in Cambridge; merchant; sett. in Wfd.; d. 1807.

2. Aaron, s. of Aaron (1); Esq.; merchant; Nfd., 1768; rep. 3 years; d. April 29, 1790.

He m. Sept. 23, 1772, Hannah Willard, of Winch., who d. Feb. 1, 1784, a. 35. (2), 1785, Hannah, prob. Belding, dau. Stephen, of Winch. She m. (2), before June 8, 1794, Asahel Pomroy, of Nhn.

Ch.: Aaron S., Aug. 27, 1773.
Sally B., Feb. 28, 1775.
Hannah, March 24, 1777.
William H., Jan. 22, 1779.
Nahum H., Aug. 15, 1781.
David S., Dec. 24, 1783, d. Nov. 20, 1785.
Susanna W., Sept. 17, 1785, d. Jan. 17, 1786.
Susanna W., bapt. Dec. 17, 1786.
David S., Aug. 22, 1788.

WIER, WIRE, Samuel, 1766; rem. to Walpole, N. H., 1784.

WIER, Thomas. He m. Mary ——.

Ch.: John, April 6, 1744; of Walpole, 1791.

WILDER, Charles; from Wendell, 1814.

He m. Nancy, dau. William Lawrence.

Ch.: Sarah L., May 30, 1824.
Charles, Dec., 1826, d. March 8, 1827.
Charles M., March 20, 1828, d. young.
Nancy.

WILDER, Willard. He m. Susanna ——.

Ch.: Hubbard, bapt. April 12, 1761.

1. WILDS, Samuel, s. of Barnard, of Leverett; b. Feb. 21, 1761.

He m. Emma Johnson, b. May 8, 1762.

Ch.: Earl, Feb. 3, 1791 (2).
Mendall, Dec. 20, 1792.
Crusa, April 29, 1795, m. Aaron Howard.
Amila, May 21, 1797, m. Dec. 22, 1822, Lyman Gunn.
Israel, Nov. 27, 1799, m. Lucy Crocker.
Infant, March 6, 1802.

2. Earl, s. of Samuel (1), b. 1791; from Leverett, 1820.

He m. June 11, 1819, Cynthia, dau. Stephen Gunn, of Sund. She d. Dec. 2, 1855, a. 63. (2), Sept., 1856, widow Melinda (Ball) Cowles, of Amherst. She d. June 18, 1868, a. 68.

Ch.: Samuel J., April 20, 1820, d. Oct. 13, 1824.
Cynthia R., March 10, 1822, m. Jonathan Crouch.
Earl L., Feb. 1, 1825, d. Nov. 2, 1825.
Stephen G., Dec. 16, 1826, m. July 6, 1848, Sarah, dau. Jesse Knights.
Sarah P., April 30, 1830, m. William F. Caldwell.

WILURT, John, 1808–10.

WILLIAMS, Benjamin, 1772.

WILLIAMS, Charles, taxed, 1717.

WILLIAMS, Charles, 1790–97.

He m. Aug. 29, 1793, Clarinda Slate, of Greenfield.

WILLIAMS, John, 1788.

WILLIAMS, John C., 1775.

He m. 1770, Lois, dau. Obadiah Dickinson.

WILLIAMS, Stephen B.; from Warwick.

He m. May 25, 1823, Rebecca Webster; rem. to Hoosick.

WILLIS, John. He m. July 6, 1781, Sarah Flagg.

WILSON, Ebenezer, 1800.

WILSON, Ephraim, 1797.

WILSON, John, 1764.

WINCHESTER, Amaziah, 1801.

WING, Samuel, 1765.

WINTHROP, Charles, 1805.

WOOD, Amasa, 1789.

WOOD, Barzillai, b. 1754; Nfd., 1773; sol. at West Point, 1780; d. Dec., 1831.

He m. Jan. 3, 1774, Mary Shattuck, who d. March 22, 1781, a. 30. (2), April 1, 1782, Anna Woodbury, Jr.

Ch.: Polly, March 15, 1778.
Sally, Jan. 22, 1784, m. Jan. 8, 1801, David Wright.
Ira, Oct. 9, 1785, m. Feb. 28, 1804, Sally Barton, who was a wid. Sept. 6, 1805.
Roxiana, Dec. 15, 1787, m. June 8, 1807, Abijah Moody. (2), Cushing Lincoln.
Philena, Sept. 4, 1791, m. Feb. 22, 1812, Levi Sprague.
Ezekiel, Jan. 9, 1794, m. Dec. 6, 1821, Almira Merriman.
Lucy, Feb. 27, 1798, m. George Nettleton.
Lucretia, Aug. 5, 1800, m. Edward Nettleton.
Loving, Jan. 20, 1805.

WOODS, Dinah; she m. July 5, 1759, Asa Taylor.

WOOD, Samuel, 1797. He m. Lucy ——.

Ch.: Seth, Sept. 14, 1805; rem. to Gfd.
Mary, April 21, 1808, m. Alonzo Stratton.
Esther, June 11, 1814.
Samuel, Nov. 13, 1815.
Harriet, July 5, 1822.

WOODBRIDGE, Joshua L.; owned home lot, 1786–7.

1. WOODWARD, Henry; from England in the "James," Capt. Taylor, 1635; Dorchester, 1639; Nhn., 1659, where he was one of the founders of the church; killed by lightning, April 7, 1683.

He m. Elizabeth, who d. Aug. 16, 1690.

Ch.: Experience, m. Nov. 1, 1661, Medad Pomroy.
Freedom, bapt. 1642, m. Nov. 18, 1662, Jedediah Strong.
Thankful, m. Nov. 18, 1662, John Taylor.
John (2).

2. John, s. of Henry (1); from Nhn. to Nfd., 1685; a first sett. of Lebanon, Ct.

He m. May 18, 1671, Hannah, dau. Thomas Dewey, of Windsor.

Ch.: Elizabeth, March 17, 1672.
John, April 2, 1674, d. soon.
John, March 20, 1675; was a first sett. of Lebanon, about 1700.
Samuel, March 20, 1676, d. Oct. 30, 1676.
Henry, March 18, 1680.
Thomas, April 22, 1682.
Israel, Feb. 6, 1686; rem. to Wfd., about 1750, and later, to Lebanon.

1. WOODWARD, John; from Norwich, England; a sol. under Burgoyne, and cap. with him at Saratoga, Oct., 1777; was at Spencer, Oct. 18, 1781, when he enlisted into the American army for 3 years; served at West Point

in Col. Smith's regt. of the Mass. line, and marched thence, through N. J. to Philadelphia. He also served in the 2d regt., Col. Sprout. He was discharged by Gen. Knox, at West Point, Oct., 1783, and returned to Spencer; rem. to Nfd., some years after; d. April 5, 1839, a. 78.

He m. May 5, 1784, Sally Drury, of Spencer, who d. May 7, 1859, a. 95.

Ch.: Polly, 1787, m. May 8, 1808, Billy Field.
Hannah, m. Dec. 4, 1809, Ebenezer Franklin, of Surray, N. H.
John, Feb. 27, 1791, m. Mary Reed, of Wendell; sett. in Troy, N. Y.
Mark, Oct. 29, 1794 (2).
Joel, Hiram, d. 1803, and were both buried the day of the "Seven Funerals."
Sally, Sept. 15, 1804, m. Sept. 15, 1824, Amos Elmer, of Ver.
Hiram, 1807; sett. in New Orleans, La., where he d.

2. Mark, s. of John (1), b. 1794; sol. in war of 1812; d. Jan. 18, 1875.

He m. Jan. 22, 1817, Hannah K., dau. John Watton. She d. April 15, 1871, a. 73.

Ch.: Hannah W., Sept. 28, 1817, m. Jonathan Lyman. She d. July 20, 1846.
Samuel D., Dec. 1, 1819, m. Eunice Brigham. (2), Mary Sprague.

WOODWARD, William G.; lawyer at Nfd., 1833–37; rem. to Iowa, where he was Judge of the Supreme Court.

WOOLLY, Amasa, 1794.

WOOLLY, John, 1765–74.

1. WRIGHT, Samuel, s. of Nathaniel, of London, Eng.; dea. of Spfd., 1639; Nhn., 1655, or 6; he "d. while sleeping in his chair," Oct. 17, 1665.

He m. in England, Margaret ——, who d. July 25, 1681.

Ch.: Benjamin, 1627; Nhn., 1668; d. in Spfd., Oct. 24, 1704.
Samuel, about 1629 (2).
Hester, about 1631, m. Feb. 18, 1651–2, Samuel Marshfield.
Margaret, about 1633, m. Dec. 8, 1653, Thomas Bancroft.
Lydia, about 1635, m. Oct. 23, 1654, Laurence Bliss. (2), Oct. 3, 1678, John Norton. (3), 1688, John Lamb. (4), 1692, George Colton. She d. Feb. 13, 1699.
Mary, about 1637.
James, about 1639 (3).
Judah, May 10, 1642 (4).
Helped, Sept. 15, 1644, d. young.

2. Samuel, s. of Samuel (1), b. about 1629; an Engager for Nfd., 1671; a settler, 1673; killed by Indians, Sept. 2, 1675. [*See ante*, p. 73.]

He m. Nov. 24, 1653, Elizabeth, dau. Henry Burt. She m. (2), Sept. 26, 1684, Nathaniel Dickinson, of Hatfield.

Ch.: Samuel, Oct. 3, 1654 (5).
Joseph, June 2, 1657 (6).
Benjamin, July 13, 1660 (7).
Ebenezer, March 20, 1663 (8).
Elizabeth, July 31, 1666, m. Sept. 26, 1684, Thomas Stebbins; her mother and br. Ebenezer, were m. the same day.
Eliezer, Oct. 20, 1668 (9).
Hannah, Feb. 27, 1671.
Benoni, Sept. 12, 1675; ten days after his father was killed (10).

3. James, s. of Samuel (1), b. about 1639; Nhn.; was in the Falls fight, May 19, 1676; d. 1723.

He m. Jan. 18, 1665, Abigail, prob. dau. William Jess, of Spfd. She d. May 24, 1707.

Ch.: Abigail, Dec. 20, 1665, d. young.
Helped, July 2, 1668, d. unm. Jan., 1745.
James, Nov. 9, 1670, d. 1688.
Lydia, March 24, 1673, d. March 29, 1673.

Samuel, May 16, 1675.
Preserved, Jan. 6, 1679, m. May 5, 1710, Sarah Hannum.
Jonathan, Dec. 19, 1681, m. Feb. 20, 1710, Experience Edwards.
Esther, Aug. 20, 1684, m. Jan. 27, 1703-4, Nathaniel Curtis, who d. Aug. 18, 1649.
Hannah, May 18, 1688, d. Sept., 1691.

4. **Judah**, s. of Samuel (1), b. 1642; Nhn.; d. Nov. 26, 1725.

He m. Jan. 8, 1667, Mercy, dau. Henry Burt. (2), July 11, 1706, Sarah, wid. of Richard Burk. She d. March 31, 1713.

Ch.: Samuel, Nov. 6, 1667, d. Feb. 18, 1668.
Mercy, March 14, 1669, m. Samuel Allen, grandfather of Ethan Allen.
Hester, Aug. 18, 1671, d. March 25, 1674.
Judah, Nov. 14, 1673, d. Dec. 25, 1673.
Judah, May, 1677, m. Mary Hoyt; sett. in Dfd.; ancestor of the Dfd. Wrights; taken cap. Feb. 29, 1704.
Ebenezer, Sept., 1679, Nhn.; m. Mary; was sergt., in the Meadow fight, Feb. 29, 1704.
Thomas, April 8, 1682, d. s. p.
Patience, April 18, 1684, m. John Stebbins, of Springfield.
Nathaniel, May 5, 1688; Dfd.; d. Nov. 7, 1711.

5. **Samuel**, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1654; carpenter; was wounded when his father was killed, at Nfd., 1676, and was carrying a bullet in his thigh, in consequence, in 1703; he was granted, that year, by the Gen. Court, a pension of £10 per annum, for life; d. Nov. 29, 1734.

He m. Jan. 3, 1678, Sarah, dau. of John Lyman. She d. April 4, 1733, a. 76.

Ch.: Sarah, Dec. 20, 1678.
Samuel, May 16, 1682, m. Nov. 3, 1697, Rebecca Sikes, of Springfield.
Dorcas, d. June 7, 1686.
John, Aug. 9, 1687, m. Sept. 13, 1709, Sarah Clark. He d. Feb. 8, 1749.
Hannah, Feb. 6, 1689, m. Samuel Phelps.
Stephen, m. Dec. 9, 1717, Esther Cook.
Hezekiah, May 25, 1695, d. Sept. 1, 1761.
Keziah, Jan. 21, 1702.

6. **Joseph**, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1657; Nhn.; d. Feb. 16, 1697.

He m. Nov. 6, 1679, Ruth, dau. Isaac Sheldon. She m. (2), Oct. 28, 1698, Samuel Strong.

Ch.: Joseph, June 23, 1681, m. Miriam; sett. in Springfield.
Samuel, Aug. 13, 1683, d. young.
Ruth, Feb. 14, 1685, d. May 14, 1685.
Ruth, April 26, 1687, m. May 5, 1708, Luke Noble.
James, Dec. 5, 1689, d. young.
Mary, June, 1691.
Samuel, Aug. 13, 1693, m. Nov. 10, 1715, Lydia Marshall.
Benoni, Oct. 4, 1697, posthumous (11).

7. **Benjamin**, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1660; captain; grantee of Nfd., 1682; a sett., 1685; returned again at the Third Settlement, and was very prominent in the affairs of the town; was a famous Indian fighter, and led several scouting parties towards Canada, scalp hunting; he d. 1743.

He m. March 22, 1680, Thankful, dau. of Capt. John Taylor, of Nhn. She d. April 4, 1701, a. 37. (2), July 19, 1701, Mary Baker, of Spfd.

Ch.: Benjamin, Feb. 26, 1681 (12).
Thankful, Nov. 13, 1683, d. Dec. 16, 1683.
Remembrance, Jan. 26, 1685 (13).
Thankful, May 23, 1687, m. Feb. 6, 1709, Nathaniel Woodruff.
Jacob; sett. in South Carolina.
Mindwell, Oct., 1694, m. Dec. 24, 1713, Stephen Belding.
Daniel, April 15, 1697 (14).
William, Nov. 26, 1702 (15).
Mary, Sept. 7, 1704.
Experience, Dec. 9, 1706.

8. **Ebenezer**, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1663; deacon; grantee of Nfd., 1682; d. 1742.

He m. Sept. 16, 1684, Elizabeth, dau. Jedediah Strong. She d. Feb. 17, 1691. (2), Dec. 19, 1691, Hannah, dau. Jonathan Hunt.

Ch.: Mary, d. Feb. 12, 1691.
Experience, Aug. 20, 1692, d. young.
Obadiah, July 26, 1693, m. Jan. 12, 1721, Harriet Southwell.
Experience, 1695, m. July 30, 1714, Nath. Parsons.
Noah, Nov. 29, 1699; captain; m. Dec. 12, 1721, Sarah Pomroy, who d. April 3, 1777.
Clemence, Nov. 4, 1703.
Elisha, May, 1705.
Elihu, May 6, 1708.
Mary, May 8, 1711.

9. **Eliezer**, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1668; lieut. in Ralle's war; came to Nfd. with his father, at the Third Settlement; d. May 12, 1753.

The following bill was recently found amongst the papers of Maj. Elijah Williams, who died at Dfd., 1772; it is given as one of the signs of the times. The MS. shows an accomplished penman:

"To the Honourable Colonel Stodard Honoured Sir these are to inform you that I have done aparsall of work for your Honour and I should be glad if your Honour would be pleased to pay to my son the money yt is due for ye sd work yt is mentioned.

to mending your old plough three times	00—06—00
to making you anew plough	00—06—00
to mending your new plough once	00—02—00

I have Received of Jeames Porter fiue shillings upon this accoumpt nomore att present.

So I Remain your Humble Seruant

ELIEZER WRIGHT

Northfield october ye 1721."

He m. Mary Pardee, who d. Aug. 16, 1746.

Ch.: Eliezer, 1689 (16).
Hepzibah, Feb. 14, 1691, d. June, 1693.
Mary, Sept. 12, 1695, d. May 3, 1714.
Azariah, March 6, 1697 (17).
Nehemiah, Jan., 1699 (18).
Eldad, March 2, 1701; made "bed lines, and halters," and sold "cheirs," 1720.
Benoni, Nov. 26, 1702 (19).
Martha, Dec. 8, 1704, m. Nathaniel Dickinson, who was killed at Pauchaug Hill.
Sarah, Jan. 10, 1707.
Phineas, July 20, 1710 (20).
Mirriam, Feb. 10, 1715, d. June 3, 1726.

10. **Benoni**, s. of Samuel (2), b. 1675, ten days after his father was killed at Nfd.; sett. in Hfd.; d. Aug. 7, 1702.

He m. Rebecca, dau. Benjamin Barrett. She m. (2), 1706, Samuel Dickinson.

Ch.: Rebecca, Oct. 9, 1700.
Hannah, Jan. 23, 1702–3, posthumous.

11. **Benoni**, s. of Joseph (6), b. 1697; prob. d. in the army during the French war.

He m. Martha, dau. Samuel Sheldon. She d. Dec. 27, 1785, a. 78.

Ch.: Martha, Nov. 4, 1745, d. young.
Asaph, Nov. 8, 1746.
Martha, Nov. 16, 1748.
Eunice, Jan. 26, 1752.

12. **Benjamin**, s. of Capt. Benjamin (7), b. 1682; his heirs were granted an island of 5 acres, above the mouth of Salmon Brook, April 22, 1731.

He m. Nov. 18, 1702, Hannah Stebbins. Order of children's birth unkn.

Ch.: Thankful.
Rachael, 1708, m. John Bement.
Martha, m. Enoch Hall.
Rhoda, June 12, 1717, m. Oct. 31, 1737, Asa Childs, of Deerfield.

13. **Remembrance**, s. of Capt. Benjamin (7), b. 1685; Nfd. at the Third Settlement; d. Oct. 8, 1765.

He m. Elizabeth, who d. June 30, 1769, a. 80.

Ch.: Lydia, Aug. 26, 1713, m. 1737, Nathaniel Dickinson, of Hatfield.
Remembrance, Nov. 22, 1715.
Jemima, April 30, 1717.
Abigail, April 27, 1719.
Jacob, Nov. 10, 1721, d. same day.
Esther, Nov. 2, 1722, d. Jan. 29, 1723.
Benjamin, Jan. 27, 1724–5, killed by Indians, Aug. 11, 1746. [*See ante*, p. 247.]
Mary, Sept. 19, 1726, unm. 1764.
Aaron, June 16, 1728 (21).
David, April 23, 1731 (22).
Reuben, May 26, 1733 (23).

14. **Daniel**, s. of Capt. Benjamin (7), b. 1697; Nfd. at the Third Settlement; had £5 15*s.* in 1736–7, for "sweeping the meetinghouse, and putting out the flag."

He m. May 28, 1718, Margaret Judd, of Nhn.

Ch.: Jacob, Feb. 8, 1722.
Daniel, Nov. 6, 1724.
Simeon, Jan. 25, 1726.

15. **William**, s. of Capt. Benjamin (7), b. 1702; lieutenant; Nfd. as early as 1729; d. Feb. 3, 1763.

He m. Sarah ——.

Ch.: Mary, — 26, 1736.
William, April 3, 1738.
Oliver, April 19, 1741 (24).
Israel, Sept. 5, 1743.
Tamer, June 29, 1746, d. young.
Tamer, Sept. 2, 1747, d. young.
Benjamin, Aug. 2, 1750.
Tamer, Dec. 5, 1752.

16. **Eliezer**, s. of Eliezer (9), b. 1689; Nfd. at the Third Settlement; lieut. 1723; alive Jan. 29, 1742.

He m. Nov. 25, 1720, Abigail Hubbard.

Ch.: Eliezer, Sept. 15, 1722, of Enfield, Ct., 1747–50.
Charles, April 8, 1724.
Josiah, Feb. 8, 1731–2.

17. **Azariah**, s. of Eliezer (9), b. 1697; wheelwright, and weaver; Nfd. at the Third Settlement; we find this entry in his memorandum book: "July 4, 1727, then I came to mine own house to inhabit;" d. Oct. 17, 1772.

He m. Jan. 27, 1726–7, Elizabeth, dau. of William Arms, of Dfd., and wid. of Ebenezer Field, the blacksmith, who had been shot by accident, 1723. [*See ante*, p. 158.] She d. in a fit, Oct. 1, 1772, a. 77.

Ch.: Mary, Oct. 27, 1727, m. Dec., 1747, Gad Corse.
Eldad, April 19, 1729, d. March 16, 1731–2.
Lucy, March 2, 1730–31, d. Oct. 29, 1736.
Eldad, March 16, 1731–2, d. Jan. 9, 1732–3.
Eldad, Jan. 9, 1732–3 (25).
Medad, Dec. 27, 1734, m. June 22, 1762, Irene Holton; sett. in Westminster, Vt.
Azubah, May 26, 1736, m. 1754, Thomas Alexander.
Azariah, March 7, 1737–8; captain; he sett. in Westminster, where he proved himself an "Ethan Allen on a small scale," becoming famous for the part he took in the New Hampshire Grant troubles. A full account of the man can be found in Hall's "*History of Eastern Vermont*;" he d. Aug. 27, 1811; wife Mary d. Nov. 27, 1776, a. 34; wife Miriam d. Dec. 8, 1797, a. 55.
Abner, } Oct. 29, } (26).
Lucy, } 1740, } m. Feb. 25, 1768, Ebenezer Harvey, his 2d wife.

18. Nehemiah, s. of Eliezer (9), b. 1699; cordwainer; town clerk, 1736; grantee of Paquaig, 1734.

He m. Mary, dau. Samuel Sheldon. She d. a wid. Oct. 12, 1779, a. 71.

Ch.: Seth, Oct. 18, 1734, d. Nov. 8, 1734.
Eunice, April 3, 1736, d. Aug. 21, 1746.
Mary, March 28, 1737.
Miriam, Sept. 10, 1739, m. Oct. 6, 1762, Rev. Job. Wright, of Bernardston.
Seth, Sept. 30, 1743, d. Aug. 20, 1746.
David, d. 1746.

19. Benoni, s. of Eliezer (9), b. 1702; sergeant, 1741; lieutenant, 1753; a garrison sol. at Nfd., 1722; a resident, 1724; of Fort Dummer, 1726; on the first board of selectmen, of Hins., 1753; d. Oct. 15, 1767.

He m. March 31, 1724, Hannah, dau. Ebenezer Severance.

Ch.: Ebenezer, July 5, 1725; sol. 1748–9; m. Nov. 1, 1753, Mary Carew, of Spfd.
Moses, Jan. 10, 1726–7 (27).
Amasa, Sept. 20, 1729 (28).
Sarah, April 11, 1731, m. May 30, 1751, Hezekiah Elmer.
Benoni, Nov. 22, 1733.
Zadock, April 7, 1736, m. Jan. 29, 1761, Mary Ashley, of Hinsdale.
Ann, Feb. 21, 1737–8, d. April 28, 1748.
Ruth, Dec. 15, 1739, m. Samuel Stratton, of Vernon.
Hannah, Nov. 27, 1744, m. Nov. 5, 1767, Asahel Jewell.
Nathan, Jan. 15, 1746–7.

20. Phineas, s. of Eliezer (9), b. 1710; colonel; sch. master, 1772; rep., 1774; delegate to Provincial Congress, same year; d. Aug. 25, 1795.

He m. Joanna, dau. Ebenezer Field, the blacksmith; b. at Dfd., 1717; d. April 4, 1798, a. 82.

Ch.: Eliphas, Oct. 8, 1738 (29).
Katherine, Aug. 17, 1740, m. Sept. 24, 1761, Reuben Smith.
Joanna, Aug. 30, 1742, m.
Tabitha, Aug. 23, 1744, d. unm. Sept. 23, 1822.
Naomi, Oct. 29, 1746, m. Col. Thomas Wells, of Greenfield.
Rhoda, Nov. 6, 1748, m. Aug. 30, 1772, Oliver Watriss.

21. Aaron, s. of Remembrance (13), b. 1728; sett. in Hinsdale.

He m. Feb. 6, 1754, Anna Graves, of Hatfield.

Ch.: Remembrance, bapt. Dec. 8, 1754 (30).
Lydia, bapt. Oct. 3, 1756.
Elizabeth, bapt. May 14, 1758.
Darius, bapt. July 27, 1760, m. 1790, Lois Lee.
Anna, bapt. Dec. 27, 1761, m. June 10, 1784, Samuel Smith.
Lucy, bapt. Nov. 20, 1763.
Martha, bapt. May 9, 1767, d. same d.
Lois, bapt. Jan. 5, 1772.

22. David, s. of Remembrance (13), b. 1731, d. Feb. 5, 1808.

He m. Mercy, (prob. Cooley); received from church in Petersham, 1777.

Ch.: David, Feb. 13, 1777, m. Jan. 8, 1801, Sally, dau. Barzillai Wood.
Abraham, Dec. 10, 1778 (31).
Samuel Cooley, April 2, 1787, m. Jan. 16, 1804, Hannah Cooley (?)
Moses, Sept. 6, 1789.

23. Reuben, s. of Rem. (13), b. 1733; wounded by the Indians, August 20, 1756. [*See ante*, p. 297.] Sol. under Capt. John Catlin, 1757.

He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Abigail, Sept. 10, 1758; 2d wife to Col. James Lyman.
Mercy, Sept. 21, 1760, m. March 10, 1785, Err Chamberlain.
Benjamin, Sept. 14, 1762.
Hannah, April 16, 1765, m. March 5, 1789, Hezekiah Stratton.
Azuba [" *Seabury*," *Town rec.*], April 24, 1767.

Martha, June 12, 1769, per. m. Feb. 14, 1802, Lemuel Wells.
Reuben, Oct., 1771 (32).
Eunice, April, 1775; m. Oct. 19, 1794, Solomon Wells, of Montague.
Fanny, (adopted,) bapt. July 12, 1789.

24. **Oliver**, s. of William (15), b. 1741; Rev. sol., 1777.
He m. Nov. 1, 1765, Hepzibah, dau. Stephen Belding.

Ch.: Gratia, Sept. 21, 1756, d. April 29, 1779.
Abigail, April 19, 1769.
Sarah, bapt. March 17, 1771.
Zibah, Sept. 12, 1773, [bapt. "*Siba.*"]
Nelly, bapt. Sept. 15, 1776, d. April 15, 1779.
Child, unbapt., d. April, 1779.
William, March 29, 1779, m. Oct. 7, 1804, Lydia Kendrick; sett. in Gill.
Oliver, April 13, 1781, d. young.
Gratia, Dec. 15, 1784, m. Seth Munn, of Gill.
Elihu, July 26, 1787, d. unm.

25. **Eldad**, s. of Asariah (17), b. 1733; captain; marched in the co. of minute men from Nfd. for Cambridge, April 20, 1775; rem. to Winch.; d. Oct. 31, 1822.

He m. May 5, 1761, Anne, dau. Samuel Taylor. She d. Aug 18, 1777, aged 36. (2), Oct. 3, 1779, Eunice, dau. Thomas Bardwell, of Dfd. She d. Nov. 22, 1815, a. 74.

Ch.: Eldad, Jan. 9, 1762 (33).
Lucretia, Oct. 11, 1763, m. March 4, 1786, Elihu Stebbins.
Donaldus, Sept. 15, 1765 (34).
Anne, Jan. 9, 1768.
Tabitha, Sept. 2, 1769, m. Hezekiah Elmer, Jr.
Lockhart, Oct. 22, 1771.
Azariah, Feb. 20, 1774.
Randolph, Dec. 11, 1775; sett. in Hins.; m. March 22, 1802, Harriet, dau. Hollis Taylor. She d. March 10, 1886, a. 71. He d. April 19, 1855.
Thomas Bardwell, March 19, 1781, d. same day.
Eunice, March 18, 1782, m. Seth Doolittle. She d. Nov. 30, 1836.
Elizabeth, Feb. 20, 1784.

26. **Abner**, s. of Azariah (17), b. 1740; rem. to Ber.; d. July 1, 1809.
He m. April 18, 1774, Anna, dau. Hezekiah Elmer. She d. March 30, 1824, a. 73.

Ch.: Sally, Aug. 4, 1774.
Lucy, March 4, 1776.
John, July 6, 1778.
Hezekiah, May 31, 1780.
Elihu, May 9, 1782, m. March 9, 1808, Irene, dau. Solomon Holton.
Anna, Aug. 7, 1784.
Elisha, Sept. 23, 1786.
Samuel, Sept. 18, 1788.
Seth, Nov. 5, 1790, d. Sept. 14, 1791.
Patty, Sept. 3, 1792.
Daniel, Aug. 20, 1794.

27. **Moses**, s. of Benoni (19), b. 1727; Hins., 1751; wounded in the attack on Hinsdale's mill, July 3, 1746; [*see ante*, p. 246;] was one of the first settlers of Rockingham, Vt., 1753; commissioned captain by the New York authorities, 1778.
He m. Hannah ——.

Ch.: Anna, bapt. July 15, 1750.
Nathan, bapt. Aug. 21, 1752.
Solomon, bapt. July 21, 1754.
Ebenezer, bapt. May 30, 1756.

28. **Amasa**, s. of Benoni (19), b. 1729; wounded by Indians at Winch., Aug. 6, 1746. [*See ante*, p. 246.]
He m. Mary ——.

Ch.: Mary, bapt. June 10, 1750.
Jonathan, bapt. June 21, 1752, m. 1782, Abigail Rockwood.
Aseneth, bapt. Aug. 25, 1754.
Amasa, bapt. June 28, 1756.
Hannah, bapt. July 8, 1759.

29. **Eliphaz**, s. of Phineas (20), b. 1738; sol. of '76; d. Dec. 26, 1822.

He m. Nov. 10, 1779, wid. Irene (Judd) Southmaid, from Watertown. She d. Feb. 18, 1811.

Ch.: Horace, June 11, 1780, m. Sept. 1, 1803, Onda, dau. Benjamin Janes.
Rhoda, May 8, 1783, m. Jan. 26, 1815, Roswell Stratton.
Phineas Todd, March 8, 1790 (35).

30. **Remembrance**, s. of Aaron (21), b. 1754.

He m. Miriam ——; admitted church May 5, 1793.

Ch.: Aaron bapt. Feb. 15, 1778.
Phineas, bapt. Nov. 28, 1779, m. April 20, 1800, Aseneth Burnham.
Elsworth, bapt. Nov. 16, 1783.
Remembrance, bapt. Dec. 17, 1786.
Chester, bapt. March 16, 1791.

31. **Abraham**, s. of David (22), b. 1778.

He m. April 3, 1803, Relief Sherman. ["*Lefe*," on marriage certificate.]

Ch.: Edwin, Aug. 16, 1803; [*rec.*] m. May 9, 1827, Olive Holton, who d. July 19, 1862.
Samuel Sherman, Jan. 20, 1804; [*rec.*]; m. Abigail Durkee.
Lois R., Oct. 24, 1805; [*rec.*]
Martha, Feb. 25, 1808.
Harriet, Feb. 6, 1810.
Abraham, Aug. 29, 1813, m. May, 1837, Sarah A. Stimpson.
Fanny, Jan. 16, 1816, prob. m. Gad C. Lyman.
David, Dec. 19, 1819, d. young.

32. **Reuben**, s. of Reuben (23), b. 1771; d. Jan. 1, 1837.

He m. Nov. 7, 1802, Phyla. Champlin.

Ch.: Eliza, Nov. 17, 1803, d. Sept. 3, 1805.
Benjamin, June 26, 1805.
Eliza, Jan. 30, 1807, d. Dec. 3, 1808.
Reuben, Feb. 27, 1809.
George, Nov. 4, 1810.
Thomas C., June 1, 1812.
Henry, Feb. 25, 1814.
Hannah, Aug. 22, 1816.
Martha, Sept. 12, 1818.
Philena, May 6, 1821.

33. **Eldad**, s. of Eldad (25), b. 1762; Rev. sol.; d. Jan. 1, 1842.

He m. May 16, 1785, Mary, dau. Josiah Stebbins. She d. March 28, 1835, a. 70.

Ch.: Anna, May 5, 1786, d. young.
Harry, Nov. 15, 1789 (36).
Sylvanus, May 31, 1792, m. Laura Dodge; rem. to Hinsdale.
Polly, March 4, 1794, m. Amasa Beach, Middletown, Ct.
Emily, Sept. 20, 1799, m. — Cleaves.
George, Dec. 19, 1801; sett. in Middletown.

34. **Donaldus**, s. of Eldad (25), b. 1765; Rev. sol., 1781.

He m. Elizabeth ——.

Ch.: Polly, d. Sept. 8, 1798.
Robert, d. Sept. 20, 1798.

35. **Phineas T.**, s. of Eliphaz (29), b. 1790; d. Oct. 15, 1841.

He m. 1822, Betsey, dau. Jesse Newell, b. March 7, 1800.

Ch.: Charles, Oct. 20, 1823, m. Emma Stearns; sett. in Ohio.
John, Nov. 9, 1824, m. Nov. 11, 1854, Mary J. Ross.
Seth, Nov. 18, 1825, m. Mary J. Pike. (2), Ellen Fisher, of Hinsdale.
Warren, Oct. 26, 1826, m. Elizabeth F. Gambell, of Barre.
Elizabeth, Dec. 14, 1827, m. Dec., 1847, John C. Stone, of Greenfield.
Andrew, April 13, 1832, d. Dec. 29, 1833.
Andrew, July 12, 1834, m. Laura Davis; sett. in Worcester.
Ellen, Nov. 3, 1838, m. George Wyart, of Gill.
Caroline, Jan. 21, 1842, m. Adolphus L. Hale. She d. Dec. 27, 1868.

36. **Harry**, s. of Eldad (33), b. 1789; d. Sept. 20, 1848. He m. Hannah White, of Winchester.

Ch.: Hannah, Feb. 16, 1817, m. George Holton.
Henry, Jan. 25, 1820, m. Eliza Woodcock.
Elizabeth, Aug. 25, 1822, m. Rufus Mixter, Chicopee.
Adeline, Jan. 1, 1825, m. May 16, 1844, Medad Moody.
David, Sept. 29, 1827, m. Mary Dowles, in England.
Lockhart, Sept. 22, 1832, m. in England, Mary Roman.
Mary J., May 19, 1835, d. Nov. 14, 1851.
George W., Feb. 5, 1838; sett. in England.

WYMAN, **William**, 1765–6.

Inscriptions upon the Tombstones

IN THE

OLD CEMETERY AT NORTHFIELD.

COPIED BY MARY T. STRATTON.

The following inscriptions embrace all that can be decyphered now, a few of the older ones having become obliterated by age and the abrasion of many years exposure to frost and tempest upon an unsuitable material. The peculiarities of orthography and punctuation have been followed strictly. The perpendicular stroke between the words marks the termination of the lines as they are inscribed upon the monuments. There are other burial grounds in the town, whose inscriptions have not been copied.

Here lies Martha | The Daugr of | Mr Simeon & Mrs | Sarah Alexander | who Dec'd | Novr ye 26|1761|aged 14 years 9 mos &|—Days.

In Memory of Mrs|Sarah the late Amiable|Consort of Lieut|Simeon Alexander|who Died April 26|1788 In the 63d year|of Her age.

Desirable in Life
Lamented in Death.

Lieut Simeon Alexa|nder Died Febry 19|1801 in the 79 year|of his age

Death comfortably ends a well spent life
In thy fair book of life divine
My God inscribe my name
There let it fill some humble place
Beneath the Slaughtered Lamba.

Capt Thomas Alexa|nder departed this | life in hope of A glo|rious Immortality|March 23 1801 in the|74 year of his age.

Children and friends as you pass by
as you are now so once was I
as I am now soon you must be
Prepare for Death and follow me.

Mrs|Azubah wife of|Capt Thomas Alexander|died 12 aug 1811 in|the 76 yr of her|age.

Simeon Alexander | died | July 24 1849 | Æ 92 ys 3 ms | 17 dys.

Jerusha | wife of | Simeon Alexander | died | Dec 1 1813| Æ 53

In memory of |Samuel son of Mr|Simeon & Mrs Jerus|ha Alexander who |died Novr 17 1781 | aged 8 months & 17 days.

Miss | Sarah Dau of | Mr Simeon & Mrs | Jerusha Alexander | died 1 Nov 1812 | Æ 23

When you have read these lines
And turn to walk away
O Dont forget you must appear
At the Great Judgment day.

Miss | Graty Dau of | Mr Simeon & Mrs | Jerusha Alexander | died 24 Nov 1813 | Æ 17

Mortals attend for you must die
And sleep in dust as well as I.
Repent in time your soul to save
There is no repentance in the grave.

Miss | Abigail dau of | Mr Simeon & Mrs| Jerusha Alexander | 15 Sept 1815 Æ 23.

Friends & physicians could not save
This mortal body from the grave
Nor can the grave contain it here
When Christ commands it to appear.

Maj |Elisha Alexander |died|Oct 22 1843| in his 90 year.

Mrs | Sophia Alexander | wife of Maj Elisha Alexander | Died | Jan 3 1800 In her 44 year

In memory of |Elisha Son of |Capt Elisha &|Mrs Sophia Alexander Died Dec 22 1791

Mrs|Sally Alexander|wife of Elisha Alexander|Died|Jan 27 1863|Æ 89 ys 6 ms

Fanny Alexander|Died|Sept 14 1866|a. 84.

Cynthia |wife of |Elisha Alexander|Died|Oct 21 1871| aged 67.

Her husband trusted her

Josiah Alexander|Died|Dec 22 1862|Æ 71 yrs 8 mos

An Infant|son of Josiah &|Mira Alexander|Died Feb 3 1820 a. 3 weeks.

Joseph son of| Josiah & Mira|Alexander|died Dec 15| 1831 a. 10 mos

Emily Cordelia|Dau of Josiah & Mira|Alexander|died Sept 25 1836|aged 7 years|& 3 months.

Edward Alexander|Died|Sept 7 1865|Aged 42 years.

Ernest Bowdoin|son of|William D & Lizzie H.|Alexander|Died Sept 19 1872|Aged 15 mos

In Memory of|Col Medad Alexander|who died Dec 8 1830|aged 73 years.

Lydia|wife of|Col Medad Alexander | died | Nov 21 1841 | Æ 79

Mr Lucius Alexander | son of Col Medad | Alexander died June | 21 1804 in the 9th year | of his age.

Unveil thy bosom faithful tomb
Take this new treasure to thy trust
And give these precious relics room
To slumber in the silent dust.
No pain no grief nor anxious fear
Invade thy bounds no mortal woes
Can reach the peaceful sleeper here
While angels watch its soft repose.

Elijah Alexander | died | Apr 7 1854 | 73

Rest loved one rest.

Polly H | wife of | Elijah Alexander | died | May 21 1848| Æ 64.

Our mother sleeps.

Isabella P. | Alexander | dau of | Elijah & Polly H. | Alexander | died Aug 16 | 1831 Æ 5 year 4 months | and 29 days

Dwight M. | eldest son of | George & Eliza | Alexander | died | May 2 1838 | aged 3 years 3 | mos & 7 ds.

Jesus called the soul
away.

Charles | son of George & | Eliza Alexander | died | Apr 30 1841 | aged 2 yrs | 6 mos & | 6 ds

Charles M. | son of | Charles & Amanda M | Alexander | died | July 23 1846 | Æ 2 yrs 1 mo & 18 ds

He lived — was loved
Is gone — and mourned

Edda | dau of | Charles & Amanda M | Alexander | died May 1 1862 | aged 10 ys & 6 mos

Our's still in Heaven.

Alexander Monument.

Arad Alexander | died April 8 1870 | aged 56

Adelphia W | wife of | Arad Alexander | died Dec 23 1843 | aged 29

Frank E. | son of | Arad & Mary Ann | Alexander | Died Dec 9 1870 | Aged 21

In memory of | Jonas B. | Son of Henry & | Nancy Alexander | who died June 25 1833 | aged 11 years.

Parkman S. | son of | Thomas & Harriet | Alexander | died | Sept 7 1858 | Æ 1 yr 1 mo.

Mehitable | wife of | Medad Alexander | Died Jan 30 1857 | Aged 60 yrs.

In memory of | Lucius | Son of Medad & | Mehitable Alexander | who died Feb | 10 1835 | Aged 16 years & | 3 months

Mr | Salma | consort of Mrs | Rebeckah Alger | died 8 July | 1812 Æ | 28

Farewell my children whom I love
Your better parent is above
When I am gone He may supply
To Him I leave you when I die

Mrs Roxanna | wife of Mr Newell | Allen died Feb 22 | 1813 Aged 21

Allen Monument.

Ethan Allen | Died at Putney | Vt Oct 23 | 1828 | Æ 49

Hannah Allen | Died | in N. Y. City | July 20 1850 | Æ 74

Mary Elizabeth | Daughter of David W & Lydia K. | Allen | and Grand daughter of | Rev Thomas Mason | died Feb 7 1848 | Æ 14 yrs & 8 mos

In pious triumpt she thus
Sang "the last of earth"
"Vital spark of heavenly flame
Quit O Quit this mortal frame

Clarissa Fiske | dau of Phineas and Clarissa Allen | died Sept 7 | 1837 ag 23 mons

Of such is the Kingdom
of Heaven.

John J. Allen | Born Dec 26 1799 | Died Nov 15 1857

Sarah M. G. | wife of | John J. Allen | Born May 3 1806 | Died June 4 1855

Elizabeth J. | wife of | James Allen | died | Dec 12 1853 | a. 23 ys 4 mos.

Allen Monument.

Samuel C Allen | died April 7 1860 | aged 66 yrs.

Amicus humani generis

Submit | wife of | Samuel C Allen | died March 24 1866 | aged 71 years

Sarah Elisabeth | dau of | Samuel C. Allen | died June 19 1842 | aged 2½ years.

Sarah | wife of | Hon Samuel C. Allen | died Jan 22 1797 | aged 22 yrs.

She lived to die
And died to live

Joseph P | died May 30 1846 | aged 25 yrs
Harriette L | died Jan 9 1846 | aged 21 yrs
Children of Joseph P. Allen.

James B. Allen | died Dec 23 1853 | aged 29 yrs

Respected honored and beloved

Mary Catherine | Dau of Alfred & | Mary Alvord | Died Jan 22 1835 | aged 1 year & 5 days.

Lucy Jane | died Apr 19 1854 | Aged 7 yrs | Wm Arthur | died Apr 21 1854 | Aged 9 yrs | children of | John & Harriet E. | Akeley

Weep not o'er these eyes that languish
upward turned toward their home
Raptured they 'll forget all anguish
While they wait to see thee come.

Sarah D. dau of | Doct Williard & | Mrs Susan Arms | died 22 May 1828 | Æ 10

Juliette | Dau of | W L & H E. Arlen | Died Oct 26 1852 | aged 6 mos

Mary A | Dau of | A. J. & H. E. D. Arling | died Oct 28 1872 | Æ 20 yrs

Lulah A | Dau of A G. & H E D | Arling | died Dec 5 1865 | a. 2 yrs

To fair for Earth
Just fit for Heaven

Atkins Monument

Benj F. Atkins | Died | Oct 15 1857 | a. 40 ys 5 ms | & 5 Ds

Ellen J. | Dau of B. F. & M. T. Atkins | Died | Feb 14 1858 | a. 17 ys 7ms | & 26 Ds.

Capt David Barber | died | March 13 1839 | Æ 78

Mrs Lois | wife of | Capt David Barber | died 20 | Apr 1821 Æ 61

Mary Dau of | Mr David & Mrs | Lois Barber died | 4 May 1798 Ag 3 ds

Sleep on Sweet babe & take
thy rest
God called thee home He
thought it best

In Memory of | Fanny Dautr of | Capn David & Mrs | Lois Barber who | Died Feb ye 8 1793 | Aged 14 days

Miss Lois dau of | Capt David | & Mrs Lois Barber | died 23 Aug 1807 Æ 17

Miss Lucy Dutton | dau of | Capt David & Mrs Lois | Barber died | 30 May 1825 | Æ 29

Miss Fanny Barber | died 8 March 1827 | Æ 33

Lydia C Barber | wife of Charles Barber | died Dec 14 1843 | Æ 39 years

Mary E Barber | wife of | Charles Barber | died Sept 23 1838 | Æ 28

Charles W | son of | Charles and | Mary E Barber | died | May 26 1838 | Æ 7 yrs

In Memory | of | John Barrett Esq | who | died 26 December 1816 | Æ 60

Louisa W Barrett | Daughter of | Mr John & Mrs | Martha Barrett | died May 24 1804 | in the 5 year of | her age

Martha D Barrett | Daughter of | Mr John & Mrs | Martha Barrett | died July 18 1804 | in the 10 year | of her age

Elizabeth E Barrett | Daughter of | John & Martha Barrett | died | June 19 1814 | aged 2

Monument

Joseph S Beach | died | April 13 1856 | aged 46 years

The death of the Righteous
is a triumph

This Stone | is erected to the | Memory of | Mrs Chloe Beach | wife of | Mr Apollos Beach | who died Sept 11 1805 | in the 31 year or her age

Surviving friends weep not for me
But while your lamp holds out to burn
Prepare for a long Eternity

Here lies intered Mr | Stephen Belden | He died Feb 19 1736 | in the 47 year of his age

In Memory of | Lieu Jonathan Belding | Decd January ye 6 1778 | in the 83 year of his age

Reader behold and shed a tear
Think on the dust that slumbers here
And when you read the State of me
Think on the glass that runs for the

In Memory of | Hepsibath Belding | wife to Lieut | Jonathan Belding She died | Decembr the 29 1761 | in the 66 year | of her age

Reader Behold as you pass by
As you are living so once was I
As I am now so you must be
Prepare for death & follow me

In Memory of Mrs | Hepsibath Belding | wife to Lieut Jonathan Belding who Died Dec | ye 9 1761 in ye 66 | year of her age

Depart My Friends
Dry up your Tears
I must lie here
Till Christ Appears

Mr Jonathan Belding | died | 24 Sept 1825 a. | 91

In Memory of Mrs | Sarah Belding The wife of Mr | Jonathan Belding Who died June | 17 1762 In ye 31 | year of her age

Depart my friends
Dry up your Tears
I must lie Here
Till Christ Appears

Mrs Keziah wife | of Mr | Jonathan Belding died 24 | Oct 1812 a. 79

Joseph Belding | died May 10 1850 a. 81

Monument

Elijah Belding | died | March 17 1843 aged 69 years

Lois | wife of | Elijah Belding | died | April 25 1860 aged 82 yrs

The righteous hath hope in death

Lois Stowe | daughter of Elijah and Lois | Belding | died Sept 23 1814 | aged 3 ys 4 ms 21 ds

Lois S Belding | died in | Fitchburg | Dec 13 1862 | aged 44 yrs

The beloved Teacher

Emma E Belding | only dau of | Elijah E and | Eliza Belding | Died | Apr 3 1849 ae 6 y 10 m 23 d

Farewell Father farewell Mother
God will heal your deepest pain
Farewell too dear weeping brothers
Soon in Heaven we'll meet again

Everette E Belding | son of | Elijah E and | Eliza Belding | Died Oct 9 1854 a. 3

Sweet little flower that we did love
Has gone to dwell with Christ above

Mr William Belcher | Died | 4 Mar 1827 a. | 73

In Memory of | Mrs Huldah | wife of | Mr William Belcher | who died April 23 | 1829 in the 68 | year of her age

Anna | Daught of Wm and | Huldah Belcher | Died | April 21 1822 | a. 47

In memory of Mrs Abigail the only | Daughter of Benja | min Bellows Esq and | Mrs Abigail his wife | who Died July 11 1756 | in ye 20 year of her age

The body of | Rachel Bement | wife to John | Bement she died | January the 19 | 1732 in ye 25 year | of her age.

Mrs | Martha Billings | died March 22 1849 | a. 79

Mary E | wife of | W. C. Billings | Died | Dec 1 1837 a. 34

Myron A | Son of | Alonzo and Althea | Billings | Died | Feb 20 1852 | Aet 2 yrs 7 mos

My Father Mother Brother dear
If me you seek then look not here
But look to God with him I rest
Love Him and be forever blest

Doct | Charles Blake | Died Apr 20 1841 | a. 70

Madam Fanny Blake | Died July 8 1856 | a. 73

Charles A Blake | Died | at Washington D C | Mar 21 1850 | a. 45

Not lost but gone before

Monument

Anna Hunt | daughter of | J H. and B. A. Blake | died May 18 1861 | aged 26 years

James | son of Charles | and E. C. Bowen | Died | Oct 2 1817 | Aged | 5 days.

In Memory of | Miss Mary Brewer | Dautr of Mr Nathaniel | And Mrs Margaret | Brewer who Died | Decr 19 1795 In the | 25 yr of her age

In memory of | Nathaniel son of | Mr Samuel and Mrs | Sally Brewer who | Died oct 11 1795 | aged 3 yr and 7 month

In memory of | Samuel son of | Mr Samuel and | Mrs Sally Brewer | who died octr 13 | 1795 Aged 2 years.

In memory of | Mr Asa Briggs | who Died June 17 1797 | In the 26 year of His Age

Remember friends as you pass by
As you are now so once was I
As I am now so you must be
Prepare for Death and follow me

Hannah C | wife of | Joseph C Brigham | Died | Oct 4 1855 | a. 48

There is rest in Heaven

Jane | wife of | Warren Brett | died | July 4 1859 | a. 38

In memory of | Benjamin Brooks | who died June 15 A D 1786 | in the 69 year of his age

Sweet is sleep to tired nature
Sweet to labor is repose
Sweet is life to every creatur:
Sweet the balm that hope bestows

In memory of | Roana Brooks | Daughter of | William Brooks | died Sept 28 | 1826 aged 1 year | and 28 days

Josiah Brown | died | Mar 15 1863 | a. 60

Mary T. | dau of | Josiah and Harriet | Brown | died | Feb 11 1850 | a. 18 yrs 10 mos

Herbert W P | son of | Josiah and Harriet | Brown | died | July 4 1860 | Aet. 15

Elizabeth H | wife of | C. A. Moulton | and dau of | J. and H Brown | died | Oct 10 1859 | Aet. 30

H. J. Brown | died | Nov 2 1854 | Aet. 28

Hattie E. Brown | Fell asleep | Nov 26 1865 | a. 12 yrs 10 ms.

Cynthia M. | wife of | William Brown | Died Jan 14 1857 | aged 44 years

Our Mother

Mary T | Dau of | William and Cynthia M | Brown | Diep Dec 22 1854 | aged 15 years

Lydia L | Dau of | W and C M | Brown | Died Jan 11 1855 | aged 15 mos

Henry K. | son of | W and C. M. Brown | Died June 15 1855 | aged 3 yrs

Mary Bucknum | Died March | 16 1827 Aet. 53.

Miss | Susan Callender | Aged 20 | Daughter of | Mr Benj and Mrs Eunice | Callender | Boston | died while on a visit | at this town | 14 Sept 1814.

Callender Monument

Benjamin Callender | died | Feb 22 1856 | aged 83 years

Sarah | wife of Benjamin Callender | died | March 30 1853 | aged 80 years

Charles A. Callender | died | Jan 7 1834 | a. 31

Adaline | wife of | Charles A. Callender died | Feb 21 1870 a. 66

Daniel L | Callender | Born Nov 3 1800 | Died Sept 7 1864

He is not here he is risen
why weepest thou.

Mrs Sophia | wife of | Doct Elijah W | Carpenter | Died 18 May 1822 | a. 39

William Elliot | son of | Eber H and Mary Ann | Carpenter | died Aug 8 1848 | a. 1 yr 4 mos and 12 | ds

Sleep on sweet babe
and take thy rest
God called thee home
He thought it best.

In memory of | Mrs Abigail Clark | who died July 3 1824 ag | ed 26

Cynthia | wife of | Henry Clark | died | Jan 30 1849 | a. 54

Henry | son of | Henry and Eunice | Clark died | Sept 15 1839 | 7 yrs and 9 mos

George Clark | died | March 31 1863 | aged 31 yrs

Laura Clark | died Oct 15 1865 | aged 2 yrs 7 mos 21 days

Mary K | wife of | Moses Collar | Died | Dec 27 1860 | a. 64

Richard Colton Esq | Born April 16 1787 | Died | August 6 1872

And this is the promise that He hath
promised us, even eternal life

Betsey | wife of | Richard Colton Esq | Born April 24 1791 | Died Nov 2 1865
And they rest from their labors.

Edwin Williams Colton | Born Feb 15 1831 | Died May 24 1862 Rest loved one Rest

Fidelia N | wife of | Asa Comins | Died Feb 8 1863 | a 62

Robert G. Cooke | died | July 23 1846 | aged 56 years. 3 | mos and 21 days

Mrs Sarah M | wife of | Mr Robert G Cooke | died Oct 5 1835 | a. 35

Robert G son | of Robert G | and Sarah M | Cooke | died March 19 1822 | a. 5 weeks.

Eliza Ann | Dau of | Robert G. and | Sarah M | Cooke | died Dec 23 1832 | a. 6 m

Isaac M Cooke | died | Aug 1 1857 | aged 37 yrs and 6 mos.

Caleb Cooke | Died | Feb 10 1850 | a. 81 yrs

Mabel | wife of | Caleb Cooke | Died | Jan 15 1848 | a. 71 yrs

Mary M | Dau of | Caleb and Mabel | Cooke | Died | Feb 13 1864 | a. 46 yrs

Lemuel Coy | died | Feb 19 1852 | aged 87 years

Sarah | wife of | Lemuel Coy | died | June 9 1851 | aged 85 years

Sophia C | wife of Samuel Cutting | died | Nov 8 1863 | a. 34

Henry X | son of | Samuel Jr and Sophia C | Cutting | died | May 23 1863 | a. 8 yrs 4 mos
Here lies Little Henry.

In memory of | Dorothy dau of Mr | Clark and Mrs Susanna Cutting | who died Sept 9 1803 | aged 1 year 11 months | 22 days.

Crosby Monument.
On west side — Favenus Spec Coeli
Sacred
to the memory
Wm Vernon Crosby
Son of
Hon Fortunatus
and Mrs Mary Crosby
of Louisville Ky
who died July 27th
1832 Aged 18
Erected by his parents.
North Side — He left home and friends to
prosecute his studies in a
distant land ; he realized the
considerate Kindness and
grateful attention of friends
and home and was By strangers
honoured and by strangers wept.
By one unknown
East side — His fine genius the clearness
and readiness of his mind his
generous spirit his native probity
and endearing manners had won
him esteem and interest here
and inspired high hope of his
future usefulness.
South side — Elate with hope and bouyant with
the vision of youth he was
Stricken by disease and his
aged mother reached him only
in time to minister to his
dying wants and bless her
child ere he was called to
render up his spirit to Him
who gave it.

Benjamin Darling | Died | Nov 4 1840 | a. 64.

Fanny Ames | widow of | Benj. Darling | Died | Dec 18 1859 | a. 85

Fanny Dau of Mr | Benjamin and Mrs | Fanny Darling | Died 28 Sept 1813 | aged 16 months
Too dear too fair for mortals here
Her Saviour called her home
Here we are left to shed a tear
And mourn her early doom.

Charlotte E | daughter of | Alonzo and Esther T | Davis Died Aug 1st 1856 | Aged 18 yrs 6 mos | and 23 days
Again we hope to meet thee
When the day of life is fled
In Heaven with joy we 'll meet thee
Where no farewell tear is shed

Hannah Davis | died May 21 1864 | a. 38 yrs 6 ms.

Infant son of | Geo A and Lucia A | Deming | Born July 2 | Died July 6 | 1860
Rest little cherub rest
Thine is an early tomb
Thy Saviour loved thee best
And called thee early home

Roswell son of | Benoni and Phebe | Dickinson died | 28 April 1803 ag | 9 yrs and 8 mos

Phebe Dickinson | Died | April 10 1813 a. 67.

Titus Dickinson | Died | March 30 1818 a. 73.

Died | Dec 13 1827 Mrs | Susannah wife of | Mr Samuel Dickinson | a. 47

Obadiah Dickinson Esq | Died March 9 1844 | aged 86 years

Sophia Pomeroy | His wife | Died Jan 14 1843 | aged 77 years

Obadiah Dickinson Jr | Died at St Augustine | East Florida | Nov 7 1821 | aged 28 years.

Frederic Wm Dickinson | Died at Boston | Nov 2 1825 | aged 21 years. | Sons of Obadiah and | Sophia P. Dickinson

William F Dickin | son eldest twin | son | of Obadiah and | Sophia Dickinson | died December 8 1806 aged | 4 months 17 days

Charlie Dickinson | Died | July 26 1873 | aged 18 yrs
So young so fair pride of my heart
Why oh why must thou so soon depart
The way to me is dark and drear
But trust in God will make it clear.

Thomas D. Doak | Died | Oct 10 1867 | a. 83

Betsey Doak | wife of | Tho D. Doak | Died | June 22 1816 a. 25

Mrs Betsey R. Doak | Died | Aug 14 1860 | a. 55
Born in Chesterfield N. H
Died in New Castle C. W.

Thomas Denio | son of | Thomas D and | Betsey R Doak Died | Aug 29 1845 | a. 2 yrs 6 ms
Of such is the kingdom
of Heaven

Elisabeth Doak | Died | Sept 16 1842 a. 64

In Memory of the Rev Mr Benjamin Doolittle | First Pastor of the Church of Christ in | Northfield who Died Jany ye 9 | 1784 in the 54th Year | of his Age and 30th | Year of his Ministry
Blessed with good intellectual parts
Well skilled in two important arts
Nobly he filled the double station
Both of a preacher and physician
To cure men's sicknesses and sins
He took unwearied care and pains
And strove to make his patient whole
Through in body and soul.
He lov'd his God lov'd to do good
To all his friends vast Kindness show'd
Nor could his enemies exclaim
And say he was not kind to them
His labors met a sudden close
Now he enjoys a sweet repose
And when the just to life shal' rise
Among the first he'll mount the skies.

In memory of Miss | Sara Doolittle Daugtr | to Mr Lucius | Doolittle and Mrs Sara | his wife She Decd | April ye 20 1773 | Aged 17 years 3 months

Here lies Benja | The son of Mr | Lucius and Mrs | Sara Doolittle | who died April | 16 1762 [Epitaph I could not read.]

Adrestus Doolittle | died | Jan 27 1830 | a. 60

Patty Doolittle | wife of | Adrestus Doolittle | died Sept 29 1843 | a. 68

Charles | Doolittle | died | Oct 3 1848 | a. 42 y'rs 9 mo's

Lucretia Doolittle | died | Jan 15 | 1851 | a. 43

Celestina E | Dau of | George and Dorothy L. | Doolittle | died Feb 11 1855 | a. 21

Thy will be done.

Semira C. Dudley | Died | Jan 19 1845 a. 24

Timothy Dutton Esq | Died | 31 Aug 1814 a. 78.

Here lies a servant of God
Who forty years did serve
In the church of Christ our Lord
His people to preserve.

In memory of Mrs | Martha late amiable | consort of Timothy | Dutton Esq who de | parted this life in hope | of a Glorious immortality | ye March 29 1802 in | the 65 year of her age.

When You this monument behold
O think by it what here is told
That life is short and soon you 'll be
In an untry'd eternity
I once stood with you on life's stage
Life's busy scenes did us engage
But now in land beneath your feet
Prepare your solemn change to meet
For God above has called me home
My tongue in dust now speaks to none
But while you read and here me view
Learn that the grave was made for you

Dea | Timothy B Dutton | died | 8 July 1821 a. | 45

Mrs Mary Dutton | Relict of | Dea Timothy B. Dutton | died | 10 Dec 1817 a. 44

Tryphena L. Dau | of Dea | Timothy B. and Mary | Dutton died 14 Mar 1826 | a. 19

Lucy | Dau of Dea | Timothy B. and | Mary Dutton | died 5 Sept 1822 | a. 3

Amaziah Son of Dea | Timothy B and | Mary Dutton | died | 4 Aug 1822 | a. 7

Infant son of | Timothy B. and Mary | Dutton died 22 | Apr 1818.

Adeline | wife of | Timothy Dutton | died Dec 23 1832 | a. 27

An Infant son | of Timothy and | Adeline Dutton | died Nov 8 | 1832

Timothy | son of Timothy | and Adeline Dutton | died Oct 14 1834 | a. 3 years

Mrs | Mary P | wife of | Samuel W. Dutton | died Feb 10 1867 | aged 53 years

In memory of | Emeline E | Dau of Benjamin | and Fanny Enoch | who died | June 26 1839 | in the 21 year | of her age

Come unto me all ye ends of
the earth and be saved.

In memory of | Fanny | wife of | Benjamin Enoch | who died Jan | 16 1837 | in the 50 year | of her age

Blessed are they that die in the Lord.

In memory of Mr | Peter Evans | who Decd Jan | 4 1752

Oliver Weld | son of Oliver C and Betsey W | Everett | died Sept 19 1844 | Aged 3 yrs 2 mo

Go thy way thy son liveth

William B. Farnsworth | Died | March 14 1852 | a. 58

Sylence | wife of | Wm B. Farnsworth | died Apr 1871 | a. 78 yrs.

Levi Fay | Died in Boston | Jan 20 1866 | aged 73 yrs 7 mos

For I know my Redeemer liveth

Lucretia C. Fay | dau of | Levi and Lucretia Fay | died | Nov 3 1840 aged | 18 years and | 8 months

Sarah J. Fay | dau of | Levi and Lucretia Fay | died | Apr 26 1841 aged | 17 years and 12 months

Francis Edward Farnham | Born in Boston June 14 1846 | Fell asleep April 22 1854

Jesus called a little child unto Him
Dear little Frank.

Sally M | wife of | Geo N. Felton | Died | Jan 26 1856 | a. 32 ys and 9 ms.

Here lies intered | the Body of Capt | Zachariah Field | who departed | This life Aug | 15 1746 | aged 61 years.

In Memory of | Mr Samuel Field | who Departed | This Life June 17 1789 | In the 70 year of His Age.

Death comfortably ends a well
spent life.

Abigail Field | wife of | Samuel Field | died Nov 2 1803 | aged 81 years

MrsMercy Field | died November 12 | 1804 in the 55th year | of her age

Desirable in life, lamented in Death
Unveil thy bosom faithfull tomb
Take this new treasure to thy trust
And give these precious relics room
To Slumber in the silent dust.
No pain no grief nor anxious fear
Invade thy bounds no mortal woes
Can reach the peaceful sleeper here
While Angels watch its soft repose.

Samuel Field | died May 30 1837 | aged 82 years.

Elisabeth | wife of | Samuel Field | died | Aug 29 1838 | aged 78 years.

Rhoda | dau of | Samuel and Elisabeth | Field | born May 17, 1777 | died Jan 18 1852.

Betsy | dau of | Samuel and Elisabeth | Field | born Jan 26 1797 | died Nov 28 1851

Submit The Daur of Mr Samuel and | Mrs Abigail Field | who died June 26 | 1762 aged 10 | years and 3 months

Mercy Dau | of Samuel | Field died Nov | 1 1746 aged | 2 month and | 12 days.

In memory of | Mr Silas Field | who died Novr | 20th A D 1773 | Aged 26 years

Time once was
Eternity now Reigns

In memory of Miss | Azubah the wife | of Mr Silas Field | who died April | 20 A. D. 1774 | Aged 32 years.

Justin son of | Mr Justin and | Mrs Harriet Field died 30 | Nov 1814 a. 3

Louisa | wife of | Timothy Field | Died | Nov 8 1848 | Aged 41 Years

Here lies intered | The body of Mr | Ebenezer Field | who departed | This life april | 9th 1759 | Aged 42 years

Come Mortal man
and cast an eye
Come read thy doom
Prepare to *Die*

Mr | Ebenezer Field | departed this life | in hope of a glori | ous immortality Augt | 12 1801 in the 87 yr | of his Age.

When Christ to judgment shall descend
His voice my Grave shall ope
But till that day within the dust .
My flesh doth rest in hope.

In memory of Mrs | Sarah wife of Mr | Ebenezer Field | who deceased | Oct ye 29 1785 | In the 64 year of | Her Age

Desirable in Life
Lamented in Death

In memory of | Kezia daughter of | Mr Ebenezer Field | and Mrs Sarah his wife who | was born Feby 15 1755 and Decd the same day.

Aurelia Field | Dau of Mr | Ebenezer Field | and Mrs Eunice | His wife was | born Octor | 10 1768 Died | Nov ye 18 1768

Miss | Sarah Field | died 26 May | 1790 a. 24

Desired in life Lamented in death
Behold my friends as you pass by
As you are now so once was I
As I am now so you must be
Prepare for Death and follow me

Mr | Abner Field | Died 18 July 1832 | Aged 82

Mrs | Mary Field | wife of | Abner Field | died | 1 May 1840 | Aged 79.

Miss | Sarah Field | daughter of | A and M Field died 7 May 1812 | Aged 25

In memory of | George Partridge | son of Mr Abner | and Mrs Mary | Field who died March 23 1794 | Aged 14 years 11 months | and 13 days.

In memory of | Roswell son of | Mr Abner and | Mrs Mary Field | who died Jan | 29 1780 Aged 15 months and 8 | days.

Parmela | wife of | George P. Field | died | April 24 1836 | a. 40 yrs.

Wm Field | Died | Dec 24 1849 | a. 63.

In memory of | Seth Field Esqr | He Departed this | Life May 3 1792 in ye | 80 year of his age

Death comfortably ends
A well spent useful life

In memory of Mrs | Susannah the late | Amiable Consort of | Seth Field Esqr she | Departed this Life | Nov 15 1787 In the | 61 year of her age.

Life is uncertain Death is sure
Sin made the wound but Christ the cure

In memory of Mr | Charles Frederick | Field son of Seth | Field Esq He Decd | Feb 21 1792 In the 27 | year of his Age

His soul has gone we hope and trust
To be with Christ among the just
To see his face forever reign
And sing his praise Eternaly

In memory of Mr | Francis son of Seth | Field Esqr and Mrs | Susannah Field | who died Feb 12 1770 aged | 10 years 7 mos and 10 days.

In memory of | Mr George | Field who died | 22 Jan 1803 | a. 60

Mrs Martha | relict of | Mr George Field | died 13 | Mar 1830 | a. 81

Miss | Lucretia Field | died 4 | Oct 1807 | Aged 24

Sarah Newcomb | wife Alfred R. Field | Born May 6 1822 | Died May 6 1851

We 'll seek the among the
Highest

Harriette Newcombe | the first born.

Sarah Elisabeth | Daughter | of | A R and S. N. Field | Born | March 8 1846 | Died | Sept 9 1864

Sarah Elizabeth | Daughter | of | A R and S. N. Field | Born | March 8 1846 | Died | Sept 9 1864

To us the silence in the house
To her the choral singing

Mr | Henry Field | died | Jan 4 1813 a. | 51

He walked thro' life in Virtue's road
Then closed his eyes to see his God
In peace he'll rest till Jesus come
And claim the treasure from the tomb

Rhoda | wife of | Henry Field | died Nov 21 1833 | aged 71 years

Mary S. dau | of | Mr Henry and Mrs Rhoda Field | died | 16 Sept 1803 a. 4

Called to adorn a world of bliss
Too bright an ornament for this

Mr | Henry W Field | died | 22 Nov 1838 a. | 23.

Erastus J. Field | died Aug 20 1827 | a. 19 years.

In memory of | Henry Field | who died | Mar 5 1833 | in the 44 year of | his age.

Mary Field | wife of | Henry Field | died | Dec 24 1845 | a. 55.

Tender mother faithful wife
Peaceful and resigned in life
From pain below to bliss above
She's gone and lives in perfect love

Lilla L | Daughter of | Jarvis E and Sarah H | Field | died April 7 1853 | Aged 1 yr and 6 mos.

The little blooming seraph lighted here
To twine around our hearts and disappear

Electa Field | wife of | Charles F Field | died | May 16 1823 aged 27

Desirable in Life
Lamented in Death

George Jarvis | son of | Charles F and Mary H | Field | died | Oct 11 1848 | a. 2 yrs 11 mos 7 ds

Suffer little children to come
unto me.

Eliza Electa | Daughter of | Charles F and Mary H | Field | died | Sept 9 1851 | a. 1 yr 8 mos 3 ds

Budded on Earth
To bloom in Heaven

Charles H | son of | Charles F and Mary H | Field | died Jan 5 1872 | a. 27 yrs 5 mos | 24 days

Charlies Grave
we miss thee at home.

In memory | of | Ens Moses Field who died Nov 22 1787 | a. 68

Here lies buried Mrs | Anne Field wife of | Mr Moses Field | who decd Octobr ye 16 1755 in | ye 35 year of | Her Age.

Great God I own
Thy sentence Just
I yield my body
To the Dust.

In memory of | Medad son of Mr | Moses Field and | Mrs Anne his | wife who Decd | Octobr ye 17 | 1756 aged | 1 year and 12 days

Medad Field | died | Feb 18 1848 | a. 90

Phebe | wife of | Medad Field | Died May 17 1841 | a 76

Solomon Field | died | Feb 6 1848 | a. 47

Phinehas Field | Died | Oct 18 1833 | a. 73

In memory of | Mrs Diadema | wife of Mr | Phinehas Field | who died | Aug 1st 1788 Aet 24

Eunice | wife of | Phinehas Field | Died Sept 18 1830 | a. 60

In memory of | Miss Lura | dau of | Mr Phinehas and | Mrs Eunice Field | who died Apr 3d 1821 | a. 28.

Lucy | Dau to Phinehas | and Eunice Field | Died Apri. 3d | 1793 | Aet 3 mos and 9 Days.

Lucius | son of Phinehas | and Eunice Field | died Jan 9 | 1793 | Aet 8 days

Rev Joseph R. Field A. B. | died | Aug 9 1828 | a. 33

Unassuming in manners
In morals irreproachable
As a scholar successful
Mighty in the Scriptures
with argument invincible
He maintained and defended
The great doctrines of the
Reformation.

Rev Lucius Field A. M. | Died | June 1 1839 | a. 42

In doctrine evangelical
Chaste and original in style
Sincere and devotional
Fervent in Spirit
He loved and magnified his office.

Miss | Eunice Field | Died | Aug 22 1825 | a. 23.

Dea Paul Field died | 20 June 1778 | a. 58

Thus the bereaved church and all
Sorrowing friends lament his fall
Help *Lord* the Godly laborers cease
O heal the breach and give us peace.

Mrs Christian | Consort of Dea Paul | Field died 6 Nov 1795 | a. 62

So sleep the saints and cease to groan
When sin and doubt have done their worst
Christ hath a glory like his own
Which waits to clothe their waiting dust

In memory of | Thankful Daughtr | to Dea paul | Field and Mrs Chris | his wife She decd Sepr ye 26 1717 | aged 1 day

In memory of | Thankful Daughtr | to Dea paul | and Mrs Chris | Field She Decd 1775 | In ye 4 year of her Age

Mr Walter Field | died | May 11 1817 | Aged 58 years

Great was the loss to friends and kindred too
Great was the loss to all who did him know

Mrs Piana | Relict of | Mr Walter Field | died 2nd | Oct 1820 a. 58

Her's was the firm faith that calm'd
the fluttering breath
And her's the holy hope that liv'd in
Death

Walter son of Mr | Walter and Mrs | Piana Field died | 1 July 1804 ag 1 | day

Eloiza Dau of | Mr Walter and Mrs | Piana Field died | 19 Aug 1803 a. 1

Piana Dau of | Mr Walter and Mrs | Piana Field died | 15 Aug 1803 a. 3

Sally Dau of | Mr Walter and Mrs | Piana Field died | 23 Oct 1794 a. 1

Mr | Paul son of | Mr Walter and Mrs | Piana died | 28 Sept 1819 a. 26

In faith he dies in dust he lies
By faith far sees that dust shall rise
When Jesus calls while hope assumes
And boast his joy among the tombs

Miss | Philena Dau of | Mr Walter and Mrs | Piana Field died | 22 June 1813 a. 24

What to thy soul its glad assurance gave
Its hope in death its triumph o'er the grave
The sweet remembrance of unblemished youth
The aspiring voice of innocence and truth

Mary Field | wife of | Walter | Field | died | June 4 1847 a. 38

Chrissa Maria | Daugh of | Walter and | A. Ann Field | died | Mar 8 1854 | a. 3 ys 11 ms 23 days

In memory of | Erastus Field | died Feb 23 1853 aged 61 years

He giveth his beloved sleep.

In memory of | Hannah C Field | who died April 4 1872 aged 72 years

Her children arise up and call her blessed

Erastus " The baby "

In memory of | Lucretia Field | died Jan 11 1856 | Aged 22 years

I go to my Father

Moses Field | died | March 21 1868 | a. 60

Mira Alexander | Daughter of | Moses and Catherine A. | Field | died Jan 25 1846 | aged 2 ys 8 ms and 10 ds

Zachariah Field | died | May 9 1858 | Aged 89 yrs and 7 ms

He giveth His beloved sleep

Abigail | wife of | Zachariah Field | died | Nov 13 1853 | Aged 84 years

When will the morning Come

Abigail Field | died | Nov | 4 1863 | a. 64

Catherine Field | died | Mar 3 1864 | a. 62

Maria Dau of Mr Zechariah and Mrs | Abigail Field died | 10 April 1811 a. 2

Spencer son of Mr | Zechariah and Mrs | Abigail Field died | Septr 6 1805 aged | 5 ms and 6 days.

Son of Mr Zachariah | and Mrs Abigail Field | died 21 June 1791 ag | 9 hours

Son of Mr Za | and Mrs A Field | died 30 Mar 1804 aged 8 hours

Lucy Field | died | Apr 26 1863 | a. 83

Harriet M | wife of | Reuben M Field | Born Sept 22 1811 | Died June 3 1871

Not dead but sleepeth

Sarah Jane | daughter of | Reuben M and Harriet M Field | Died Jan 16 1861 | Aged 12 yrs and 6 mos

Deborah Bonney | wife of | Sylvenus Field | Died | May 28 1867 | a. 62 yrs 11 ms

Duane | son of | Sylvenus and Deborah | Field | Died | April 14 1864 | a. 18 yrs 9 mos

Rhoda | wife of | Oliver Field | died | Apr 5 1849 | a. 65 ys 5 ms

Gratia | dau of Oliver | and Rhoda Field | died Feb 4 1818 | a. 1 mo

Sophia Ann | dau of Oliver and | Rhoda Field | died Oct 2 1822 | a. 7 yrs and 20 days

Lucius O | son of Oliver and | Rhoda Field | died Oct 16 1822 | a. 8 mos 8 days

George E. | son of Oliver | and Rhoda Field | died Oct 16 1834 | a. 4 yrs 7 mos | and 26 days.

Emily M | daughter of | John and | Nancy | Field died | April 16 1841 | a. 33

Sybel A. dau | of John and Nancy | Field | died | Oct 1 1822 ag yr | and 9 mon

Thomas | son of | John A and Mary A. | Fisher Died | June 2 1843 | a. 15 yrs

Polly | wife of | George Fisher | died | July 28 1865 | Aged 66 yrs and 6 ds

Rosamond A | wife of | Oliver T. Greenleaf | died | Mar 10 1862 | a. 60

Not dead but gone before

Carrie L. | wife of | Adolphus Hale | Died Dec 27 1868 | a. 26 yrs 11 mo's 6 ds

Willis E | son of | A L and E J. Hale | died | Aug 15 1872 | a. 7 mos 21 ds

In memory of Mrs Sarah | Harvey wife of Mr Ebenzr | Harvey and Dautr of Mr | Jonathan Janes and Mrs | Jemima his wife who | Decd Nov ye 12 1764 | Aged 25 years 11 months | 25 days

In memory of | Orea son of Mr | Ebenezer Harvey and | Mrs Sarah his wife | who was Drowned | July ye 24 1765 | aged 3 years | 8 months | and 16 days.

Monument

Mary L. | wife of | George Hastings | Died | Sept 10 1859 | aged 34 years

Mother
Trusted in God she said
I am ready I have nothing
to fear
And thus she passed away

Frank Hamilton | son of | Geo and Virginia S. | Hastings | Died at Minneapolis Minn | Aug 23, 1871 | a. 2 yrs 1 mo

Our baby.

Hannah Davenport | wife of | Wm D Hastings | Born Apr 18 1824 | Born again Feb 6 1858

Like a wreath of ever bloom
ing flowers thy memory is
twined around our hearts

Wm Bowman | son of | Wm. D. and H. D. Hastings | died Sept 14 | 1843 aged 7 mos

Rest soft thy dust
Wait the Almighty's will
Rise with the just
And be an angel still

In | memory of | Capt King Harris | who died Oct 17 1829 | a. 40 years.

Isabel | wife of | King Harris | died | Sept 30 1818 | aged | 25 years

Sybel S | wife of | J. A. Harris | died | Sept 19 1867 | a. 31

For I know that my Redeemer liveth

Freddie A. | son of | J. A and S Harris | died | Jan 7 1860 | Aet 10 m 7 d

Sarah C. | dau of | Samuel and | Sarah Hedge | died Aug 25 1805 | aged 1 year.

Monument

Richard Henry | died Nov 30 1863 | Aet 37 years.

Mary Eunice | Henry | died Sept 11 1857 | Aet 19 mos.

Squire Chandler | son of Squire | M and Emeline | J Holden died | July 2 1834 | aged 14 mo's

Mr Samuel | Holton died | April 11 A. D | 1767 | ye 57 year of his age

Mr | Samuel Holton | departed this life | Jan 2 1801 in ye | 59 year of his | age

Death is the King of terrors
to the wicked but
Immortal life is the hope
of the Christian

Mrs Sarah | wife of | Jonas Leonard | and formerly wife of | Samuel Holton | died 29 | July 1831 a. 82

Samuel Holton | died | Dec 1 1851 | Aged 81 Years

Polly Holton | wife of | Samuel Holton | died | Sept 12 1860 | Aged 79 Years.

Samuel C | son of | Samuel S and | Esther S. Holton | died Feb 13 1840 aged | 6 months and | 25 ds

Rebecca | wife of | Caleb Holton | Died | Oct 15 1852 | a. 64

Sophia Ann | daughter of | Caleb Holton | died | Jan 18 1842 | a. 20

Theodore Holton | Died | Aug 17 1847 | a. 75

Mary S. | wife of | Theodore Holton | Died | Sept 17 1863 | a. 81

Asa S. Holton | Died | Sept 15 1858 | a. 44

Walter H. | son of | Wm H. H. J. Holton | Died Mar 18 1862 | a. 2 yrs 6 ms.

John H | son of | H and H M Holton | died | Feb 10 1843 | Aged 5 yrs

John H | son of | H and H M Holton | Died | Oct 2 1867 | Aged 22 years

George W Holton | Died | Aug 19 1867 | Aged 52 yrs

Selina C. | wife of | George Holton | Died | Jan 19 1840 | a. 18

Infant dau | died | Nov 23 1844 | a. 1 day

Mary A | Died | Sept 1 1846 a. 6 mos | Daughter of Theodore | and Mary A Holton
Farewell my children
A long farewell
Thou art gone ro realms above
Yet oft we'll wander near the tomb
Of those dear children we love

Lavica | wife of | Chester Holton | died | July 29 1841 | a. 29

Mr John Holton | died | March 22 1825 | a. 78
Erected by his
Grandchildren

Mrs | Hannah | wife of | John Holton died | Jan 17 1841 | a. 84
Erected by her
Grandchildren

Electa | Daught of | John and Hannah Holton | died March 23 | 1821 in the 22d | year of her age

Betsey | Daught of John, and Hannah Holton | died March | 29 1822 in the 19 year of her age

Rufus Holton died Aug 22 1815 | in the 33d year | of his age

Elias Holton | died | June 5 1868 | a. 75 yrs 5 mos 18 ds
Gone home to rest

Edwin Elias | son of | Elias and Fanny Holton died Jan 1 1871 a. 37 ys 11 mos 25 ds
I die to live again forever.

Sarah Field | wife of | Horace Holton | Born Feb 20 1820 | Died Mar 6 1865
There is rest in Heaven.

Crosby F | son of | Horace and Sarah | Holton Born | Sept 9 1850 | Died | Jan 16 1852

Burton C. | son of | Eleon and Ella | Holton died | Nov 2 1871 a. 4 mo's 12 ds
When angels took our
Burtie home we laid the
Casket here

Small Monument.
Effie Maria | Born Nov 3 1856 | Died Feb 15 1859 | Rufus Ernest Born Sept 13 1852. Died | Feb 17 1859 | children of | Rufus and Harriet | Holton
Effie Ernest
They wait for me

Edward Jarvis | son of George W and Hannah P | Hosmer | who died July 2 1854 aged 2 years
It is well

Mr | Edward Houghton | Died | Sept 19 1820 | a. 60

In memory of | George H. Houghton | son of Mr Edward | and Mrs Sarah | Houghton who died | April 19 1804 in | the 16 year of his | age

In memory of | Miss Sarah Houghton | daughter of Mr Edward | and Mrs Sarah Houghton | who died Oct 26 | 1807 in the 18th year | of her age.

Rev John Hubbard A. M. | second minister in this town | Died Nov 28 1794 | In the 69 yr of his Age | and 45 of his ministry
A man he was to all his people dear
And passing rich with *eighty* pound a year
Remote from towns he ran his godly race
Nor ever changed or wished to change his place
In duty faithful prompt at every call
He watched and wept he pray'd and felt for all
He tryd each art reproved each dull delay
Allured to brighter worlds and led the way.

Madam Anna Hubbard | Relict of the late | Rev John Hubbard | and dau of the late | Cap S. Hunt | died March 11 1795 | In the 59 year of her age
With a mild lustre all her virtues shone
And nought but vice and folly felt her frown
She wept with the distressed their sorrows bore
And glanced with generous kindness to the poor
Beside the bed of trembling and dismay
She hope inspired and smoothed deaths rugged way
But her best virtues to her friends were known
And her last triumph endless glories crown

Electa Dau to ye | Revd John and Mrs | Anna Hubbard who | Died June 16 1773 | aged | 1 year 9 months | and 20 days

In memory of | Elsworth son to | Revd John and Mrs Anna Hubbard who died June 3rd A D 1772 aged | 5 years 6 months | and 16 days

In memory of | Elsworth ye son to | Revd John and Mrs | Anne Hubbard | who Died July | ye 27 1780 aged | 3 years 11 months And 22 Days

In memory of | Arad Hunt son | to Revd John | and Mrs Anna | Hubbard | who Died Septr ye 6 1780 Aged | one year and 18 days

In memory of Capt Samuel Hunt | who died very suddenly of an apo | plictick fit Feb 28th A D 1770 | In the 67 year of his age
Trust not in uncertain riches
But in the living God
My children friends spectators all who view
This marble stone this motto learn tis true
Health wealth and honours all are empty things
They fly with quicker speed than eagles wings
Death sudden Death the Bubble quickly bursts
And sinks the Owner instantly in Dust
Th industrious frugal Hand its action cease
The cautious watchful Eye is clos'd
Here sleeps my Body never more to wake
Till Christ shall come and it to Glory take

Madam Anna. Hunt | Relict of the late | Capt Samuel Hunt | Obt May 6 1794 Aetat 90
To rise again the Sun goes down
And in the furrow the grain is sown
Beauties that sleep throu' winters reign
When spring returns revive again
Shall then the Friend o'er whom we mourn
Never to Life again return
Great Source of Life Light Love and Joy
Let no such tho't our hope destroy
Our lively hope that sometime hence
Thro' the Redeemer's Influence
On whom she plac'd her hope and trust
She'll burst this Tomb shake off her dust
Assend to where God hold his throne
And Immortality put on

In memory of | Samuel Hunt | who died Nov 28 | 1832 a. 60

In memory of | Philomela | wife of Samuel Hunt | who died June 5 | 1817 a. 42.

Martha | Dau of Samuel | and Philomela Hunt | who died July 4 | 1813 a. 5

Martha P | Dau of Samuel | and Philomela Hunt | who died Sept 9 | 1822 a. 7

Charles Hunt|died|Nov 28 1838|a. 25

Samuel Hunt|Born Apr 3 1802|Died Dec 6 1851

An infant |son of Samuel and|Submit Hunt

Martha Philomela|dau of Samuel Hunt Esq|and Submit his wife|Born Apr 29 1828|Died Aug 16 1861
Not a tear must o'er her fall
He giveth his beloved sleep

Elisha Hunt Esq|Died 27 Nov 1810 aged|69 years and 11|months

Sally|Dau of Elisha Hunt Esq|and Mrs|Mary Hunt Died|19 Jan|1795 Aged 10 years and 6 ms

Miss Patty|Dau of Elisha Hunt Esq|and Mrs|Mary Hunt died|26 June|1796 aged 18 ys|and 9 mos.

Mr|Frederic Hunt|Died|18 April 1805|aged| 25 ys and 7 mo

Monument

Jonathan Hunt|Elisabeth|His wife|
J. L. Woodbridge| son of|J. and E Hunt
Elisha Hunt|Elsworth Hunt.

In memory of Mr|Jonathan Janes who deceased Febry| the 16 1776 in the|81 year of his age
Dust returneth to dust
The spirit to God who gave it

In memory of|Mrs Jemina Relict of|Mr Jonathan Janes| who Deceased|June the 18 1790|In the 86 year of| Her Age

In memory| of Jemina|Janes dau to|Mr Jonathan|and Mrs Jemina Janes who decd|Oct 25 1748|Aged 7 years|5 months and eleven days

Dea|Ebenezer Janes|died|22 Jan 1808 a. 72

In memory of Sarah Janes wife|to Ebenezer Janes|who died in | Child-bed March ye 5th day 1766|Aged 28 years and 9 months|and 29 days
This is natures melancholy Vault
When Christ to Judgment shall Desend
His voice my grave shall ope
But till that day within the dust
My flesh shall rest in hope

Mrs Mehetabel|relict of|Dea Ebenezer Janes|died 24| Sept 1835 a. 90

In memory of|Hannah Janes | Daughter of| Ebenezer and Sarah Janes | who Decd July ye 13 1770 aged | 7 years and 6| months and | 8 days

In memory of|Ebenezer Son of | Mr Ebenezer Janes| and Mrs Sarah his |wife who Decd|Novr ye 5 1766| aged 9 months|and 5 days

Mrs Jemina wife|of Mr. John Allen|and Dautr of Dea| Ebenezer Janes|Died Aug 31 1787|In ye 31 year

In memory of
Sarah Dautr to
Ebenr and Mehete
Janes who died
Sept 1 1775
Aged 10 months
and 21 days.

In memory of
Ebenezer Son to
Ebenr and Mehete
Janes who died
August 27 1775
Aged 4 years 6
months and 20 days

Parents and friends who saw us struggle
Panting for breath in sore distress
See here our Pains they cease to trouble
For here the weary be at rest.

In memory of|Sarah Dautr of Mr| Ebenr and Mrs Mehetle | Janes She Decd | September ye 24 1779 | Aged 2 years 4| months and 27 Days.

In memory of | Alexander son | of Lt Ebenezer Janes and Mrs | Mehetable Janes who Died June 3rd | 1787 Aged 19 mo|nths and 25 days

Mr | James O Janes | died | 30 Aug 1829 a. | 47

Mrs Roxana | Consort of Mr James | O Janes died 5 Nov | 1810 a. 24
Such were her virtues that from them we gain
Relief in mourning and suspense from pain
Our dearest friends do oft forsake our sight
To dwell in perfect joy and cloudless light

Mrs Joanna relict of | James O Janes | died 21 May 1835 a. 52

Roxana Dau of | Mr James O and Mrs | Roxana Janes| died 20 Mar 1811 ag | 6 mo

Roxanna dau | of James O and | Joanna Janes | died 21 Aug | 1830 a. 6

Joanna dau | of James O and | Joanna Janes | died 6 July 1831 a. 7

Mrs Lucretia | wife of | Capt Ebenr Janes | Died 30 | Oct 1831 a. 51

Juliana | Dau of Ebenezer and | Lucretia Janes died | 2 Sept 1815 ag 3 yrs | and 6 mon.

Dea | Xenophon Janes | died | 21 Oct 1829 a.| 57

Mrs Sarah wife | of Dea | Xenophon Janes | died 3 | May 1814 a. 39

Tirzah C | wife of | Dea Xenophon Janes | died Apr 5 1858 | a. 77

Martha A | wife of | Ebenezer Janes | died Sept 28 1843| a. 36

Lt | Jonathan Janes | died | 22 March 1813 | a. 57
Mortals attend for you must die
And sleep in dust as well as I
Repent in time your souls to save
There's no repentance in the grave.

Miss Mary P. Dau of| Lt Jonathan and Mrs | Caroline Janes died | 25 Sept 1812 a. | 13
Friends and Physicians could not save
This mortal body from the grave
Nor can the grave confine it here
When Christ commands it to appear

Hannah | wife of| Josiah Jennison | Died | Feb 29 1848 | aged 71

David Johnson | Died | Feb 24 1867 | a. 67

Almira wife of| David Johnson | Died | Oct 9 1865| a 65

Sarah L | Dau of| Francis and Fanny S. | Johnson | died Aug 5 1848 | a. 15 yrs and 2 mos

Alice G. | Dau of| Francis and Fanny S | Johnson|died| Sept 1 1860 | a. 13 ys 9 ms

Monument

Fanny F | wife of| Henry Johnson | Born July 18 1807 | died Feb 1 1838
Asleep in Jesus

Martha W.| wife of| Henry Johnson|born Feb 25 1808| died Apr 12 1871
Her children rise up
and call her blessed

Francis E | dau of| Henry and Fanny | Johnson | born Nov 5 1835 | died Nov 8 1841
For such is the
Kingdom of Heaven

Watson W | son of| Henry and Martha | Johnson / born Oct 14 1839 | died Oct 9 1840
He shall gather the lambs with his
arm and carry them in his bosom

Anna M | wife of| T. H. Browning of Westerly R. I. | and Dau of Henry and | Martha Johnson | born Apr 2 1845 | died Mar 23 1872
Let her own works praise
her in the gates

Here lies buried | The body of Sale | Knap son of Mr | Daniel Knap and | Hannah his wife | who Decd July ye | 15 1770 aged | 1 year 5 months | and 8 days

Monument.

Capt Samuel Lane | Born Sept 27 1812 | Died May 3 1864
An honest man is the noblest work of God

Cara Maria | The first born | Aged 3 years
A bud of promise

Mr | Ezra Consort | of Mrs Mary | Lawrence died | 23 Apr 1813 | a. 22
He left this world in hopes of future
blessedness and we trust his soul has
gone to rest with Christ while the
body takes a sound sleep in the dust
until the resurrection of the just

Mary Leach | Died | Mar 27 1850 | a. 73

Mehitable | wife of | John Long | Died | Jan 6 1843 | in her 56 year

Josiah H. | son of | J. and M. Long | Died Oct 9 1830 | a. 11 mo 19 Ds

Thomas Lord | Died | June 11 1861 | Aged 81 years

Dezier | his wife | Died Dec 11 1859 | Aged 80 years.

In | memory of | An Infant | child of Tho's | and Dezier Lord | who died | Mar 1 1811

In | memory of | Mary A | Dau of Thomas | and Dezier Lord | who died June 19 1834 | a. 21 years.

In | memory of | Charlotte | Dau of Thomas | and Dezier Lord | who died Aug 17 1832 | a. 16 years

In | memory of | Joseph | son of | Thomas and Dezier | Lord who died | Oct 22 1826 | a. 2 yrs and 7 mos.

In | memory of | Aaron Lord | who died March | 4 1825 | a. 24 yrs

Capt | Thomas C. Lord | born Nov 25 1805 | died Aug 21 1851
He is not dead but sleepeth

Charles S. | son of | Thos C and Olive S | Lord | born Mar 19 1832 | died April 5 1833
Of such is the | Kingdom of Heaven

Harriette | dau of | Thos C and Olive S. | Lord | born Dec 24 1835 | died Sept 6 1837
It is well with the child

Thomas C Jr | son of | Thomas C. and | Olive S. | Lord | died | Nov 11 1843 | a. 7 mos and 1 day
Suffer little children to come unto me

Lois C | wife of | Samuel S Lord | died | Sept 11 1861 | a. 43 ys 9 ms.
She is not dead but sleepeth
Do not weep for me 'tis God calls me home

Joseph T. Lord | Died | Dec 1866 | a. 36 ys 8 ms

In memory of | Lieut Joshua Lyman | who Departed this | life Sept 7 A D 1777 Aged 73 | years and 6 months.
Whilst living men
My Tomb do view
Remember well
Here's room for you

— — interred | T— — of Mrs | Sarah — the | wife — | — Lyman — Died | A— 23rd | 1738 in the 37 | — of her age.

In memory of | Mr Simeon | Lyman who died | 19 May 1809 | a. 78
Death is a sweet sonorous sound
To those who have Salvation found
It wafts them to the courts of bliss
Where all is joy and happiness

In memory of | Mrs Sarah late | Amiable Consort | of Mr Simeon Lyman | who departed this | Life Nov 28 1797 | In the 63 year of | her age She was
Desirable in and lamented in death
The sweet remembrance of the Just
Shall flourish while they sleep in dust

In memory of Mrs | Esther the late | Amiable Consort of | Capt Elihu Lyman | who Died Augt ye | 20 1774 in the 30th | year of Her Age
Farewell bright soul a short farewell
Till we shall meet again Above
In Groves of Bliss where pleasure Dwells
And trees of Life bear fruits of Love

In memory of Esther | Dautr to Capn Elisha | —— And Mrs Esther | Lyman who Died Augst 15 | 1774 agd 2 mo and 8 days
Sleep sweet babe
And take thy rest
God called thee home
He thot it Best

Captn | Seth Lyman | died | 14 Oct 1817 a. | 81
Death is a sweet sonorous sound
To those who have salvation found
It wafts them to the courts of bliss
Where all is joy and happiness

Mrs Eunice the | late amiable | Consort of Cap | Seth Lyman died | Oct 1 1801 in the | 61 year of her age
The graves of all the saints be blest
And softened every bed
Where should the dying members rest
But with their dying Head

In memory of | Col James Lyman | who died 25 Jan 1804 a. 59

In memory of | Mrs Mary Crouch Lyman | wife to Col James Lyman | who died Mar 23 1777 | aged 29 years and 10 months
What tho short thy date
That Life is long which
Answers Life's great End
The man of wisdom is the
man of years.

Abigail relict of | Col James Lyman | died Aug 12 1829 | a. 71

In memory of | Robert son of Col | James and Mrs Abigail Lyman | who died Sept 29 1759 aged | 10 y 6 months 9 days

In memory of | Mr Gad Lyman | who died 16 Aug 1805 | a. 23

Polly Lyman | died Aug 17 1848 | a. 64

Maria dau of | Rodolphus and Bethiah | Lyman died 19 Feb 1821 | a. 8
Friends and physicians could not save
This mortal body from the grave
Nor can the grave contain it here
When Christ commands it to appear

Richard Lyman | died | Oct 7 1863 | a. 78
Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord

Aaron L Lyman | died | Oct 18 1848 a. 22

Mary F | wife of | James Lyman | died May 21 1865 a. 47
Dear Beloved one and mother
for thee the lonely tear we shed

Mary Jane | only dau of | J and M F Lyman died | Oct | 9 1859 | a. 17
Dear Jennie
The lonely tear for thee we shed.

Albert W. | son of Mr James and Mary F | Lyman | Died Feb 7 1854 a. 1 yr
A Fair bud of earth to bloom
in Heaven

Harriet W. | wife of | Jonathan Lyman / born 28 Sept 1817 | died 20 July 1846

Charlotte H | wife of | Jonathan Lyman | Died Oct 16 1865 | aged 55 years.

Alfred H | son of | Jonathan | and Harriet W | Lyman died Sept 15 1840 | a. 1 year and | 7 mos

Elisha Lyman | died | Dec 28 1858 | a. 80

Margarett | wife of | Capt Elisha Lyman | died | Oct 6 1811 | a. 27 | years

Rachel | second wife of | Elisha Lyman | died Oct 3 1860 | a. 75

Aaron G. Lyman | died | April 15 1841 | a. 60

Cynthia | wife of | Aaron G Lyman | died | Dec 2 1839 | a. 59

Cynthia dau of | Aaron and Cynthia Lyman died 27 | July 1830 a. 14

George B. son of | Aaron G. and | Cynthia Lyman | died 9 | Sept 1822 a. 11

Elijah W. son of | Aaron G. and | Cynthia Lyman | died 12 | Sept 1822 a. 2

Seth son of | Aaron G and Cynthia Lyman | died 14 | Sept 1822 a. 13

Samuel Lyman | died | Nov 6 1823 a. 49

Sarah Smith | wife of | Samuel Lyman | Died Aug 11 1857 | a. 79

Warren Lyman | died at Texas | Nov 18 1837 | Aet 32

Henry Clay | son of | Warren and | Eliza Lyman | died | Jan 14 1836 Aet 5 years 1 mo and 22 d

Sophronia W. | wife of | Israel Lyman | died Nov 26 1871 | a. 51 yrs 2 mos 17 ds
She trusted in Jesus.

Francis Israel | son of | Israel and Sophronia W | Lyman died | Apr 8 1848 | aged 1 yr 9 mos | and 6 ds

John Lyman | Born Dec 1 1819 | Died | Apr 7 1860
He left this world with out a tear
Save for those he loved most dear
And with the Angels he's at rest
Where soon we'll meet him with the blest

Little Jennie | Dau of | John and Melinda | Lyman | Died | Nov 5 1857 | a. 12 Ds
One less to love on earth
One more to meet in Heaven

Milton J. | son of | John and Malinda | Lyman | Died | Apr 28 1871 | a. 14 ys 10 ms 13 Ds
Tis hard to part with friends so dear
No more with them on earth to dwell

Erected | in Memory of | Joseph Lyman | who died Dec | 21 1832 | aged 70 years.

Elisabeth | wife of | Joseph Lyman | Died Oct 25 1855 | a. 75 ys 10 ms 9 ds

Harriet | daughter of | Joseph and Harriet | Lyman died | Sept 2 — [could not decipher].

Louisa C. | wife of | E S. G. Lyman | died | Feb 26 1867 | a. 43 yrs 11 mos 20 ds.

Frank W. | son of E. S. G. | and L. C. Lyman | died | May 16 1860 | a. 1 year and 9 mos
Sweet babe that we did
love
Has gone to live with
Christ above

Clark | son of Elias and Mary E | Lyman | died Sept 17 1855 | a. 4 mos
Sleep little baby sleep
And take thy rest
God called thee home
He thought it best

Mr Caleb Lyman | died | August 18 1822 | aged 73

Mrs Catherine | Consort of Mr | Caleb Lyman | died 22 Aug 1809 a. 53.

In memory of | Francis son of | Mr Caleb and Mrs | Katherine | Lyman who died | Decbr 27 1784 | Aged 2 years 2 | mo and 21 days.

In memory of | Josiah Dwight Lyman | Born | Feb 27 1780 | Died | Jan 5 1869 | a. 88

In memory of | Mrs Betsey Whiting | wife of | Josiah Dwight Lyman | Born | Aug 12 1784 | Died | Feb 24 1868 | a. 83

Mr William | Swan Lyman de | ceased Feb 26 1801 in the 26 | year of his age
The young the gay
The noble and the brave,
Must quit this Life.
To moulder in the grave

Caleb Lyman | Died | March 8 1855 | Aged 48 years.

In memory of | Ensign | Nathaniel Mattoon | who Decd Jan ye 18 | 1770 Aged 76 years | 4 months and 18 days.
Great God I own
Thy sentence just
I yield my Body
To the Dust

Mrs Hannah Relict | of Ensin Nathaniel | Mattoon died April 6 1797 in the 96 yr of her Age
This life is a vain and empty show
But the bright world to which I go
Hath joy so substantial and sincere
When shall I wake and find me there

Monument (Mattoon)

Mr Philip | died | Sept 18 1810 | a. 82

Hannah | his wife | Died | Dec 18 1800 | a. 69

Mr Hezekiah | died | Jan 3 1829 | a. 54

Penelope | his wife | died | Aug 13 1849 | a. 75
In my Fathers house are many mansions

Lucia Ann | Dau of | H and P Mattoon | died Oct 25 1832 | a. 22

Elijah Mattoon | died | 12 Nov 1823 | a. 83

Catherine | wife of | Elijah Mattoon | died | 8 Aug 1835 | a. 88

Lucy | Dau of | Elijah and | Catherine Mattoon | died | Oct 19 1793 | Aged 23 years.

Susannah Mattoon | died | May 29 1859 | Aged 86 years

Elijah Mattoon | died | Dec 29 1853 | Aged 71 years

Hannah | wife of | Elijah Mattoon | died | Sept 11 1846 a. 66

Frederic F | son of Elijah and | Hannah Mattoon | died | April 10 1840 | aged 26 years.

Lucy Ann | Dau of | Elijah and | Hannah Mattoon | died July 24 1831 | a. 6 years

Lucy Ann | Dau of | Elijah and | Hannah Mattoon | died Oct 29 1826 | aged 13 years

Little Charley | died | May 7 1852 | aged 4 mo's

Charles H | died at Bloomington Iowa | Aug 6 1844 | a. 11 m 8 ds

Emma F | died | July 22 1848 a. 1 year.
Children of | Charles and Lucia A | Mattoon
In Heaven they are united

Little Minnie

Mary A Mattoon | wife of | Hezekiah Mattoon | Died | Aug 21 1842 | Aged 32 yrs.

In memory of | Mr Isaac Mattoon | who Decd May ye 21 1767 | Aged 82 years | and 5 months
Great God I owne
Thy sentence Just
I yield my Body
To the Dust

Sacred to | the memory of | Doct Samuel Mattoon who | died 18 March 1807 in the 77 year of his Age

Mrs | Abigail | wife of | Doct Samuel Mattoon | died 16 July 1816 in | the 77 yr of her age

Samuel Mattoon | died | Nov 24 1848 | a. 84

Mrs Mary wife of | Mr Samuel Mattoon | and dautr of Capt | Samuel Merriman | died Septr 2 1788 | In the 24 year of | Her age

Ruth | wife of | Samuel Mattoon | died Jan 14 1839 | a. 71

In memory of Samuel | son of Mr Samuel Mattoon Jr | who died | July 30 1804 in the 18 year of his age.
Lifes narrow circle soon is run
The voige is quickly o'er
Death points to us the race is done
Eternity the shore

Richard Mattoon | died | Feb 2 1872 | a. 68 yrs 10 mos | 21 ds
Let not your hearts be troubled believe in God

Obediah Mattoon | Died | Nov 10 1839 | a. 41 years

Marianne | wife of | Obediah Mattoon | Died Feb 24 1838 a. 81

Charles | son of | Obediah and | Marianne | Mattoon Died | Jan 9 1836 | a. 2 yrs and | 9 days

Warren Mattoon | Died July 3 1866 | Aet 56 yrs 2 mo
Father
He has gone home

Lucy A | wife of | Warren Mattoon | Died | Sept 15 1843 | a. 26

Granville W. Mattoon | Died, April 27 1860 | a. 16 yrs 9 ms 10 Ds
God is love.

Mabel R. Mattoon | Passed to the | Summer Land | Aug 30 1870 | a. 10 years 4 mos.

Elihu Mattoon | died | Dec 7 1859 | aged 74 years 9 mos

Rebecca Whiting | wife of | Elihu Mattoon | died | Aug 8 1870 | aged 87 yrs 6 mos

Rhoda Mattoon | died | May 31 1859 | aged 76 yrs 6 mos

Cynthia Mattoon | died | Sep 9 1859 | aged 88 years

Isaac Mattoon | died | Aug 11 1856 | a. 91

Martha | wife of | Isaac Mattoon | died Oct 5 1847 a. 76

John son of | Mr Isaac and Mrs | Martha Mattoon | died 15 Dec 1795 a. 5

Sarah | Morton Dau | of Mr Isaac and | Mrs Martha | Mattoon died|24 Dec 1795

Monument

Charlotte A | wife of Oliver S. Mattoon | Died Nov 2, 1861 | Aged 57 years

I go to meet my children

Emily M | wife of O. S. Mattoon | Died Aug 17 1872 | aged 48 years

Isaac son of Oliver S. and | Charlotte A Mattoon | died June 2 1832 | aged 17 days.

Charlotte | Dau of Oliver S. and | Charlotte A Mattoon| Died Nov 30 1825 | aged 34 days

Sarah Ann | Dau of Oliver S. and | Charlotte A Mattoon| Died Dec 11 1845 aged 17 years

Thy will be done

Edwin A | son of Oliver S. and | Charlotte A Mattoon Died April 20 1851|aged 24 years

Trust in God

Elisabeth | Dau of Oliver S. and | Charlotte A Mattoon| Died May 5 1855|aged 19 years

He doeth all things well

Oliver W. | son of Oliver S and | Charlotte A Mattoon | Died April 22 1859 | aged 19 years

Prepare to Die

Helen | Dau of Oliver S and |Charlotte A Mattoon|Died Sept 6 1854 | aged 19 years

Geo Parker | son of | James and Mary | P F Mattoon | died March 21 1840 a. 6½ years.

Mary Percival | dau of | James and Mary |Mattoon|died Aug 1 1832 a. 11 weeks

Catherine | wife of | John Mattoon |Died | Aug 26 1870| a. 70 yrs 4 mos

An Infant | Daughter of | John and Catherine|Mattoon| died May 18 1841

Ann P. | Daughter of | John and Catherine | Mattoon | died | June 2 1841 | aged 4 yrs and 6 mo

Rev Thomas Mason|Born in Princeton Mass|May 28 1769 | Graduated at Harvard University | Class of 1796 Ordained Nov 6 1799 Dismissed at his own request|March 1830 Died Jan 3 1851|a. 81

Madam Lydia Mason|Consort of |Rev|Thomas Mason| Died| Aug 23 1803|Aged 26 years Thomas their infant son | died aug 22 aged 24 hours.

That Life is long which
Answers life's great end

Madam Sophia Mason|Consort of |Rev|Thomas Mason| Died|April 29 1842 aged 66 years

Mary Mason | dau of Rev Thomas and|Lydia Mason died Nov 12 1806 aged 4 years and 10 mos

Thomas Mason son of | Rev Thomas and | Sophia Mason | died Dec 29 1810 | aged 1 year and | 9 mo

In memory of | Gertrude A | Dau of | Geo and J. B. Mason | She went to her heavenly home | Dec 21 1852 | a. 9 mths.

Sherman E | son of | Caleb Maynard Jr | Died | April 11 1870 a. 5 y'rs 5 mos.

Mrs Lucy W | Consort of James | Meriam died 28|June 1811 a. 38

In vain to God we may implore
Our once dear friends to restore
Whom on far other tearms he gave
By nature fated to the grave
'Tis hard but patience must endure
And soothe the woes it cannot cure

Miss Fanny Meriam died 2 Jan 1810 a. 15	Miss Eunice Meriam died 8 April 1810 a. 17

Yet why should we mourn their early decay
Since they are snatch'd from a mansion
of sorrow away

Lucy daughter of| Mr James and Mrs | Lucy Meriam | died Feb 20 1797 | a. 1 month

Emily dau of| Mr James and Mrs | Lucy W Meriam | died | 5 June 1818 age | 5 mon

Lucy Meriam | died | 27 Jan 1818 a. 20

Memento Mori | Mr Theophilus | Merriman | died Sept 25 1793 | in the 75 year of his age

Death comfortably ends
a well spent Life

Capt Samuel | Merriman depar | ted this life in | hope of a Glori | ous Immortality | June 22 1803 In | the 81 yr of his age

Life is uncertain death is sure
Sin made the wound but Christ the cure

Lydia Harwood | Her first husband | *Asahel Stebbins* | was killed and she taken pris | oner by Indians Aug 27 1757 | at No 4 and carried to Canada | Saved from torture at the stake | by her heroism and faith | she returned from captivity | and in 1759 married | *Capt Samuel Merriman* | She died his widow Feb 2 1808 | *Aged* 76 To keep her memory green | this stone is erected by her | great grand children

Clesson Merriman and
Ella Merriman Barber
A D 1874

Mr | Levi Merriman | died | August 3 1829 in his 69 year

Mercy | wife of | Levi Merriman | died | July 10 1839 | a. 72

Elijah Merriman | died | March 30 1854 Aged 88 years

Rebecca | wife of | Elijah Merriman | died Oct 14 1839 | a. 66

Samuel Merriman | born May 12 1807 | died Dec 21 1854 |

Mary | died | Feb 23 1844 | aged 3 yrs | and 3 mos

Crosby | died | Feb 23 1845 | aged 9 mos

Russell |died | Jan 31 1853 | aged 1 yr | and 9 mos

George S|died|April 11 1857 aged 2 yrs|and 11 mos

Jesus said
Suffer little children to come unto me

Helen M | wife of |Clesson Merriman|born Aug 25 1843 |died June 14 1868|

Blessed are the pure in heart

Monument

Martha Ann|wife of |Elijah Merriman|Died Aug 10 1865 Aged 54 yrs.

Anna M|Died Aug 26 1864|Aged 27 yrs

Hattie E|Died Sept 22 1865|Aged 22 yrs

S. Wallace Died Sept 22 1842|Aged 4 yrs

Jacob Millar|Died May 1 1832|a. 70 yrs

Phebe|wife of Jacob Millar|died|Oct 13 1843|a. 79

Emma L|dau of |Cyrus and Eliza|Millar Died|Jan 31 1845|a. 1 yr 8 mo| and 11 days

Lucia Ann|Dau of |Cyrus and Eliza Millar died|April 28 1842 a. 24 yr 9 mo

Clement Miner|died Feb 10 1810 a. 41

If a man die shall he live again?

Hepsibah|wife of C Miner|died and was entombed in| Boston Apr 24 1819|a. 47

Mary B|daughter of |Clement and Hepsibah|Miner| died June 2 1824|a. 23 yrs and|6 mos.

The memory of the just is blessed

Lucretia B daughter of|C. and H Miner | died Sept 1807 aged 3 yrs

Daughter thou wast early
blest
Called from earth to peace
and rest

Joseph Eastman|son of Mr Clement|Miner died aug 12 1798 aged|2 years 11 mos and| 6 d

Friends depart
Dry up your tears
Here I must lie
Till Christ appears

Stephen Myrick|died Nov 22 1867|a. 82

Caroline|wife of Stephen Myrick|died|Jan 6 1856|a. 72

Mr Isaiah Moody|Died|June 22 1828|in his 24 year

In memory of|Isaiah Moody|who died Feb 20 1835|aged 63 years

Monument
Isaiah Moody|Died Feb 20 1835

Phila A Moody|his wife|Died Nov 1 1869

Isaiah Moody|Died June 22 1828

Edwin Moody|Died May 28 1841 sons of|Isaiah and Phila Moody

Mary L Stone|Died July 31 1841

Eunice S. Arms|Died Oct 26 1857 Dau of I. and P. A. Moody
Rest in Heaven

Sarah Louisa|Dau of|Lucius A and Sarah|Moody|Died May 6 1858|a. 15
Not dead but Sleepeth

Our little|Frank|Died Aug 11 1856|a. 3|M. A. and A. W Moody|
Not Lost but gone before

Freddie|twin son of|M. A. and A. W. Moody|died Aug 4 1861|a. 2 yrs 4 mos
We loved him

Nellie|Twin dau of|M. A. and A. W. Moody|Died July 12 1865|a. 6 yrs 3 mos
Our darling

Julia M|wife of|Geo F Moody|Died|Apr 2 1850|a 24

Susannah|wife of|Jacob Moody|died|April 14 1831 a. 62

Charles Moody|son of|Mr Jacob Moody Jr|and Mrs Ruby his wife|died June 9 1826|aged 6 years 3 months

Freedom M.|wife of|Silvanus Moody|died|Oct 10 1847|a. 27

Rodney|their son Sept 26|1847 a. 7 weeks

Mark Moores|Died|July 7 1869|a. 68 yrs 6 mos

Elizabeth|wife of|Harrison Moores|Died|Oct 7 1853|a. 47

Sarah A|wife of|Harrison Moores|Died|Jan 10 1873|a. 47 yrs
Mother

Ella A Morse|died|Feb 13 1872|a. 17 yrs

Mr Aaron Morgan|son of Mr Noah|Morgan died Aug|31 1803 in the 18 year of his age
Unveil thy bosom faithful tomb
Take this new treasure to thy trust
And give these sacred relics room
To moulder in the silent dust

Monument
B. B. Murdock|Born at Townsend Vt|Nov 27 1805

Eunice Alexander|Murdock|Born at Winchester N. H. Dec 1 1804|Died at Natick|Oct 6 1870

Lucy Christiana|Dau of|Benjamin B and|Eunice Murdock|Died Northfield|June 28 1839|aged 2 years and|3 months
Thy will be done

Abby Jane|Dau of B. B. and Eunice|Murdock died|Aug 20 1841|a. 9 mos
Amen

In memory of|Elizabeth|widow of|Elisha Nash|who died Dec|24 1831|aged 67 years

In memory of|Elisha son of|Elisha and|Susan Nash|who died Feb 27 1833|aged 8 days

Frank Dwight|son of Albin and Mary A|Nash|died Feb 1859|a. 2 yrs 3 mos

Mrs|Philena Newcomb died|Sept 12 1871|a. 77 yrs

Mrs Nancy C. Newell|died|Jan 6 1871|a. 63 yrs

Reuben Newton|Died|Jan 12 1864|Aet 53
We wept to see him die

Gen John Nevers|Died|Mar 30 1847 a. 73

Mrs Hannah Nevers|Died|Nov 29 1848 a. 65

An Infant child|of John and|Hannah Nevers

In memory of|Mr Alexander|Norton who died|Nov 13 1790 Aged 62 years
He's gone and left this mortal stage
Tho while in life adorn'd his age
He Patiently resign'd His Breath
And now his Body sleeps in Dust
His soul has gone we hope and trust
To be with Christ among the Just
To see His Face forever nigh
And sing His praise Eternally

Almira P|wife of Artemus Nye|died Sept 10 1863|aged 59 yrs
Our Mother.

Marshall Nye|died Dec 5 1867|aged 36
A few more days and we shall meet
The dead we hold so dear
Yet only by his loss we've learned
How well we loved him here

Asher L|son of L. and O. J. Nye|died Mar 28 1870|a. 16 ds

Died|January 8 1832|of Spina Biffida|Sarah Hinckley|dau of Asa and|Mary P Olmstead|a. 7 yrs

Jabez Parsons|Died|Feb 9 1871|a. 93 yrs 6 mos

Lovicy|wife of|Jabez Parsons|died July 7 1848|Aged 69 years

Albert son of Mr|Jabez and Mrs Lovicy|Parsons died Sept 1 1805 aged 2 years|6 months and 22 days.

Mr Elijah Parsons|died|Oct 10 1837 a. 32
Ye living men see here your end
To Jesus voice pray now attend
Your days your years how swift they fly
Be warned be wise prepare to die

Miss|Cynthia Dau of|Elijah and Mrs|Jerusha Parsons|died 11 Mar 1810|a. 27
Hark! she bids her friends adieu
Some angel calls her to the spheres
Our eyes the radient form persue
Through liquid telescopes of tears

H. Edwards Parsons|Born Sept 13 1820|Died Oct 8 1869|Aged 49 years

Amie Edwards|Daughter of H Edwards and|Sophia M. Parsons and|wife of James H Slade|Born Aug 7 1744|Died Sept 4 1864

Nellie
Hark I hear the rush|of angel wings

Hammat
Of such is the Kingdom of|Heaven

Here lies the body of|Mrs Hannah S|wife of|Mr A. C. Parsons|she left it|March 24 1855|a. 34
Dust thou art to dust returnest was not
spoken of the Soul

W Everett|son of Albert C and|Hannah S.|Parsons died|Aug 31 1849|a. 18 ds
Not lost but gone before

Apoline|Daughter of|Albert C and Hannah|S. Parsons|died July 3d 1848|Aged 10 weeks
She lives in Heaven

Abigail|Daughter of|Elihu Phelps|died|Dec 7 1821|a. 33

Jonathan H|son of|Elihu and|Abigail Phelps|died|Dec 22 1818 a. 10 months

Theodore Phelps|died Jan|2 1849|a. 52

Jane G. S.|wife of|Amos S. Piper|Died|Aug 10 1849|a. 29
She is not dead but sleepeth.

Helen J. Piper|Died|Jan 2 1856|a. 19
The darkening angel did
Not fear
In youths bright morn to come
But whispered on the passing breeze
There is rest at home

George W Piper | died | July 12 1851 a. 21 yrs 6 ms
Farewell love one dry thy tears
God is a God of Love
O strive to serve him here
That we may meet above

In memory of | Mr John Pirss | who Decd Augst | ye 20th 1747 in ye | 51st year of his Age

This marble is erected | in | memory | of | Lucretia H Prentiss | (Daughter | of | Samuel and Lucretia Prentiss) | who Died March 10 1817 | Aet 22

This marble | was erected | in memory of Doctor | Samuel Prentiss | who died | Dec 3rd A D 1818 Aet 59 years

Widow | Sarah Priest | died | 14 Sept 1805 a. 78

Mr | Isaac Prior | died Sept 11 1832 a. | 58
Weep not for me but weep for yourselves
And for your children

Roxana | wife of | Isaac Prior | died March 24 1840 | a. 64
The memory of the Just is blessed

Mr | Shammah | Pomroy | died | 8 July 1818 a. 82

Mrs Anna | wife of | Mr Shammah Pomroy | died 31 aug 1817 | Aged 73

Mrs Harriet | wife of Mr Wm Pomroy | died | 28 Aug 1818 | a. 29

Mrs Lucy | wife of | Mr Wm Pomroy | died 18 June 1813 | a. 29

Lucy B | Pomroy died 13 | Aug 1813 aged 4 mon

Charles B Pomroy | died 23 Feb | 1824 a. 19

William Pomroy Jr | Died | April 14 1836 | Aged 29 years

Elizabeth C. | wife of | Wm Pomroy Jr | Died | May 11 1836 | a. 27 years

In memory of | Mehetabel Dau of | Mr Eleazer | Pomeroy and Mrs | Lydia his wife who | Dec Apr 19 1770 | aged 7 months and 12 days.

In memory | of Medad Pomeroy | son to Doctor | Medad Pomeroy | and Mrs Sarah His | wife who Decd Apr ye 17 1760

Sarah Hunt | Daughter of | Charles and Laura C | Pomeroy | died May 8 1849 | aged 7 months

Monument

Samuel B Purple | Born June 29 1813 | Died Nov 25 1857

Jane A Purple | His wife | Born Dec 25 1831 | Died April 15 1857

George B | son of | Nelson W and | Louisa Purple | died Dec 9 1834 | a. 1 year 10 mos | and 16 dys
He is not lost but gone before
And when the hour of life is o'er
We meet we meet to part no more

Rollin E son of Joel and | Rowena Randall | Died Nov 5 1864 aged 10 yrs 2 ms
Farewell Father and my mother
Farewell Sister and my two Brothers
Jesus calls me home above
To dwell with Him in joy and love

Samuel H | son of James and | Clarisa Reed | Died | Apr 12 1843 | a. 24 yrs | 8 mo

Sarah F | Dau of John F and S. Estella | Rice | died Dec 7 1871 a. 1 yr 10 ms 21 ds

Sarah K. | wife of | Leonard Robbins | died | April 25 1850 | a. 24
Just in the morning of her day
When hope was bright she
passed away

In memory of | Mrs Thankful Root | the wife of Mr | Elihu Root who | died April 19 1776 Aged 30 | years and 5 months

Lucy | wife of | Israel Russell | Died Dec 6 1852 | a. 87

Capt William Simonds | died | 19 Feb 1825 a. | 63

Mrs Mary | relict of | Mr Wm Simonds | died | Sept 10 1838 | a. 69

Nathan H Simonds | died | Nov 9 1870 aged 76 years | and 8 mos

Mary | wife of | Nathan Simonds | died | Dec 20 1847 a. 46

William son of | Nathan H and Mary Simonds | died 19 Aug 1825 | ag 3 ys and 6 mo

Sarah H | wife of | Nathan H. Simonds | Died Dec 9 1872 | aged 57 years.

Samuel H Simonds | died | June 2 1842 | Aged 38

Harriet | wife of | Samuel H. Simonds | died June 2 1866 Aged 67 years

Charlotte Ann | Dau of | Samuel H and Harriet | Simonds | died Sept 17 1857 | Aged 23

C. Russel Simonds | Died | May 18 1859 Aged 34
We miss Thee

Hattie M | dau of | R A and S M | Simonds | Died Sept 22 1868 | aged 5 mos 1 dy

Deacon | Samuel Smith | died Decemr the 21st | 1799 | aged 95
Reader deny it if you can
Here lies interred an honest man
By Pope denominated rightly
The noblest work of the Almighty

Here lies buried | The body of Mrs | Sara Smith ye wife | of Dea Samuel | Smith who Decd | March ye 30th 1767 | In the 60th year of | Her Age

Mary | Smith Dau | ghter to | Samuel and Sary | Smith Dec | yr 1730 Mar | 23 Aged one | year and a | half and | five days

Capt Reuben Smith | died | 24 Aug 1832 a. 92

In memory of | Mrs Catharine Smith | wife of | Capt Reuben Smith | who died Feb | 9 1803 | aged 63 years

A memorial of | Mrs Betsey wife of | Capt Reuben Smith | who died sep 2 1822 | aged 86 years

A memorial of | Miss Mary | Smith who died | April 29 1823 aged 45 years

Mr | Phinehas Smith | died 18 Sept 1823 | in the 63rd year of | his age

In memory of | Mrs Sarah wife to | Mr Oliver Smith | who Died Aug | 4th 1784 In the | 35 year of her age
Bright Soul farewell a short farewell
Till we shall meet Again Above
In Groves of bliss where pleasure dwells
And trees of Life bear fruits of love
While the dear dust she leaves behind
Sleeps in thy bosom sacred tomb
Soft be Her bed Her slumbers Kind
And all Her dreams of joys to come

Sarah Smith | widow of the late | Joseph Smith | Died | Feb 1 1839 | a. 100 years 5 mos 9 ds | As a testimony of the | love and respect of her | Grand daughter | Harriet H Houghton | wife of | Abel Bellows | of Walpole N. H this | stone has been erected.

Simeon L. Spafford | died in | Philadelphia Penn | Jan 28 1855 | aged 34 years
Husband we miss thee

Sam S Stearns | Died | May 15 1849 a. 63

Olive | wife of | Sam S Stearns | dau of | Abraham Ball Esq | Athens Vt | died Aug 29 1831 a. 32

Harriet O | daughter of | Sam S. and | Olive Stearns | died July 17 | 1825 a. 17 mos

Philena B. | dau of Sam S. and Olive Stearns | died Feb 17 1831 a. | 11 years.

Monument

Calvin Stearns | Calvin | Eunice | George | Charity

Delia A Stearns | wife of Albert D Stearns | Born Aug 30 1828 | Died Mar 25 1854 | a. 25 yrs 6 ms and 25 days.
Daughter thou hast gone and left us
For a fairer world above
From a Husband's fond embraces
And a tender Infants love
From a kind and doting Father
From a fond and weeping mother
Two Brothers and an only sister
Mourn the loss of one they love

Here lies Lydia | The Daughter | Mr Asahel and Mrs | Lydia Stebbens | who died Oct 4 1761 | Aged 7 years 3 mo | and 7 days

William Stebbins | Died in Winchester N. H. | Feb 13 1857 | a. 47

Aaron Stebbins | Died | June 8 1863 a. 21

Warren L Stebbins of the | 2nd Reg' N. H. Vol's | died |Sept 7 1865 | aged 19 years 11 mos 16 ds

A dear face gone from our home

Wells | son of | Joseph A and | Jane W Stevens | died | July 16 1848 | a. 21 mos

He is not here he is risen

Charles Osker | son of | John and Charlotte | Stewart died | Jan 2 1850 | a. 2 mo

Sleep on dear child for
fear and pain can ne'er
disturb no more

Nancy F Stoddard | died | Dec 26 1839 | a. 56

Here Lies Buried | The Body of Lieut | Hezekiah Stratton | who Departed | This Life Decembr | 28 1756 | In ye 68 year | of His Age

In memory of Mrs | Elizabeth Relict of | Mr Hezekiah Strat|ton who departed | this Life Apl 19 1789 | In the 91 yr of Her Age

Children and Friends as you pass by
As you are now so once was I
As I am now so you must be
Prepare for Death and follow me

Here Lies Sarah and Hannah | The Daughters of Lieut | Hezekiah and Elizabeth | Stratton | Sarah Died | Oct 7 1736 | Aged in her 10 year | Hannah Died | Octbr 29 | 1729 | Aged 6 mo | 17 days

Mr Hezekiah Stra|tton Died Jany 3 | 1800 In the 76 year | of his age His Last counsels and ad|vice to His Children and | Friends was to prepare | for death reminding them | of Christ's words "ye must be born again"

Life is the time to serve the Lord
The time t' ensure the Great Reward
And while the Lamp holds out to burn
The vilest sinner may return

Mary Lyman | died Dec 24 1824 | a. 91 years

Thro' life she walked in virtue's road
Then closed her eyes to see her God
In peace she'll rest till Jesus come
And claim the treasure from the tomb

Here lies buried | Sarah Stratton dautr | of Mr Hezekiah | Stratton and Mrs Mary | His wife who Decd | aug ye 25 1770 | aged 17 years and 8 months

Depart my friends
Dry up your tears
Here I must lie
Till Christ Appear.

In memory of | Samuel son of Mr | Hezekiah and Mrs Mary | Stratton who died oct | the 30th 1776 Aged | 5 days

In memory of | Mrs Eunice the late | Amiable Consort of Mr | Medad Alexander and | Daughter of Mr Hezekiah | and Mrs Mary Stratton | who Decd Jan 24 1785 | In ye 23 year of her age

While the dear dust she leaves behind
Sleeps in thy bosom sacred tomb
Soft be her bed Her slumbers kind
And all her dreams of joys to come

In memory of | Mr | Elijah Stratton | died May 29 1817 | Aged 66

Mark the just man whose
end is peace.

Abigail wife of | Elijah Stratton | died 20 July | 1826 a. 71

Mr | Rufus Stratton |died | 18 march 1827 a. | 72

Mrs Asenath Relict of | Mr Rufus Stratton | died |April 1829 a. 71

In memory of | Lucy Dautr to | Mr Rufus and Mrs Asenath Stratton | who died oct | 23d 1781 aged | 4 months and | 28 days

Elijah | son of Rufus | and Asenath Stratton | was killed by lightning | Aug 5 1809 In his 16 year

John son of Mr | Rufus and Mrs Asenath | Stratton died | Aug 22 1790 aged 3 yr | 4 mo and 17 days.

Death like an overflowing streams
Sweeps us away
Our life is a dream.

Mr John Stratton | son of Mr Rufus and | Mrs Asenath Stratton died May 22 | 1805 aged 13 yr 9 mo | and 14 days.

Life's narrow circle soon is ran
The voige is quickly o'er
Death points to us the race is done
Eternity the shore.

Mr | Hezekiah Stratton | died oct 24 1825 Aet 60 Hannah | wife of | Hezekiah Stratton | died | Jan 5 1846 | a. 81

Fanny Dau of | Hezekiah and Hannah | Stratton died 31 Mar | 1822 a. 10

Electa | Dau of | Arad and | Electa Stratton | died July 22 1833 a. 5 mos | and 15 days.

Martha S | wife of | Wright Stratton | died | Apr 26 1858 | aged 35 years

Monument

Eleazer Stratton | died Sept 4 1789 | aged 68 years.

Lydia | wife of Eleazer Stratton | died April 13 1783 | aged 56 years

Asa Stratton | died March 17 1818 | aged 60 years

Lucy | wife of Asa Stratton | died July 19 1831 | aged 74 years

Dr Charles Stratton | died Jan 4 1869 | aged 74 years

Monument

Albert Stratton | died | Feb 28 1871 | a. 70 yrs

Lucy Stratton | died | March 18 1874 | a. 73

Lucy Ann | Dau of Albert and Lucy | Stratton | died June 15 1846 | a. 16 yrs 4 mos

Roswell Stratton | died Feb 22 1842 | a. 58

Rhoda | wife of | Roswell Stratton | died | Aug 28 1857 | a. 74

Capn Ebenezer | Stratton died | Nov 29 1801 in | the 83 year of His | age

Unveil thy bosom faithful tomb
Take this new treasure to thy trust
And give these precious relics room
To slumber in the silent dust
No pain no grief nor anxious fear
Invade thy bounds no mortal woes
Can reach the peaceful sleeper here
While Angels watch its safe repose

In memory of Mrs | Tamar wife of | Cap Ebenezer | Stratton who | Died July 23 1797 | in the 74 year of | Her Age

Death comfortably ends
A well spent life

Here Lies Tamar | the Daughter of Mr | Ebenezer and Mrs | Tamar Stratton | who Died Decembr | 13 A D 1762 aged | — year

Here lies Tamar | The daughter to | Mr Ebenezer and Mrs Tamar Stratton | who Died July | 17 1759 | aged 1 yr 3 mo | And 29 days

In memory of | Martha Dau | of Mr Ebenezer | Stratton and Mrs Tamar his wife | who Decd Aug | ye 19 1767 Aged | 3 years 3 months | and 19 days

Mr | James Strobridge | died | 23 October 1811 | a. 82

Mrs Mary | Relict of Mr James | Strowbridge died 3 | Mar 1817 a. | 84

Gurdon Strowbridge | died | June 3 1839 | a. 66

Monument

Sacred | to the memory of | Timothy Swan | who died July 23 1842 | Aged 84

He was the author of Poland
and China and other pieces
of sacred music
I was dumb because thou
didst it.

Sacred | to the memory of | Mary Gay | wife of | Timothy Swan | who died Sept 19 1841 | Aged 77
I am the resurrection
even so them also which sleep
in Jesus will God bring with
Him

Eben G. Swan | died in Cinn Ohio | Aug 3 1850 | aged 49
And when he came to himself

Emily C. Swan | died Oct 8 1856 | aged 63
She walked with God.

Wm H Swan | died in Const Mich | aged 43 | Oct 10 1843

Wm C Swan | died in Dayton Ohio | Feb 8 1844 | aged 39
Jesus saith unto her thy
brothers shall rise again

Mrs Levina | consort of the late | Mr Wm Swan | of Worcester Mass | died March 19 1813 | aged 88 years

Monument

Calvin T. Swan

Rhoda Brown | wife of | Calvin T Swan | died March 5 1853 | a. 58 yrs

Calvin Harrison | died May 18 1832 | a. 7 yrs and 6 mos

Calvin Truman | Died July 1 1836 | a. 1 yr and 8 mos

Children of | Calvin T. and Rhoda | Swan

Frederick W Swan | died Nov 5 1849 | a. 21 yrs

R Cornelia Swan | died Dec 19 1854 | a. 28 yrs

Frederic W. | son of | Calvin T and Rhoda | Swan | died Nov 5 1849 | aged 21 years

In memento Mori | John Taylor of | Norwalk in conn who died Novr | 25 1757 on his | Majesty's service Kil — | 30th year of his age
Come Blooming youth
Behold My urn
And Drop A Tear

Susannah | wife of Stephen Tilden | died | April 21 1842 | a. 46

Alva L. Thornton | died Oct 15 1869 | Aged 39 years
He has gone to his rest
Rest from the tossing of life's stormy ocean
Rest from the evils of earths drear abode

Xenophon Turner | died | Jan 26 1859 | a. 53

Lydia A | dau of | Xenophon and Sarah Turner | died | Mar 12 1863 | a. 24

G "Little Georgie" | son of J B and C M Walker | died Jan 8 1872 | aged 11 mo 8 days
Asleep in Jesus Blessed sleep

Here lies buried the | Body of Mr. Ebenezer | Warner who Decd | Octobr ye 20 1768 | In the 59 year of His Age

Lucretia dau of | Ebenezer and Achsah | Warner died 8 Jan | 1823 ag 1 year and | 8 mon
Sleep on sweet babe
And take thy rest
God call'd thee home
He thought it best

In memory of Mrs | Rhoda wife of Mr | Oliver Watriss and Daughter of Mr Phinehas and Mrs Jo | anna Wright who Di | ed Nov 10 A D 1775 | Aged 25 years
Reader Behold as you pass by
As you are now so once was I
And as I am so you must be
Therefore Prepare to follow me

Lucy Dau, of Mr Oliver | and Mrs Lucy | Watriss died | 8 Nov 1790 | a. 17

Richard Watriss | died | Nov 23 1859 a. 79

Fanny S | wife of | Richard Watriss | died | Sept 12 1864 | a. 85

Elijah W Watriss | died | June 26 1868 | a. 52 years 7 mos

Harris Watriss | Died | May 26 1817 | a. 33
O'er thy cold urn shall pensive memory bend
To early lost Protector Father Friend

Hannah Whiting | wife of | Harris Watriss | Died Sept 1870 | aged 84 ys.

Willie H | son of | Henry M and Carrie A. | Ward | died Aug 21 1872 | a 10 yrs 10 mos | 3 ds
Our Willie
How we loved him
His song like the Harp was ever joy

J. Olcott Webb | Died | June 14 1868 | a. 55 ys 10 ms 4 ds

Fannie Eliza | Daughter of | J. O and F. R. Webb | Died Jan 14 1861 | Aged 10 yrs 7 mos 8 ds

Ezekiel Webster | died | Feb 9 1837 a. 82
The dust shall return to the earth
the spirit to God who gave it.

Mrs Lois Webster | wife of | Mr Ezekiel Webster | died | July 21 1831 a. 72
An exemplary wife mother Christian
friend
This stone is erected to the memory of
his early friend by Arad Hunt Esq
of Vernon

Miss Melinda Dau | of Mr Ezekiel and Lois Webster | died 25 March 1811 a. 27
Life was trouble
Death is peace

Arad Webster | Died | Sept 8 1872 | a. 77
Parted on earth united in heaven
There shall be no night there

Lucy L | wife of | Arad Webster | Died Dec 14 1863 | a. 60
I am going home

Priscilla E | wife of | Arad Webster | Died Feb 19 1872 | a. 60
Crowned with his rest

This Stone | marks the grave of | Ezekiel Webster | He was born 19 January 1788 | Graduated at Harvard College | 1812 | Died June 26 1845 | Erected by his classmates | as a testimonial of their esteem

Elisabeth | wife of | Ezekiel Webster | Died | Apr 28 1852 | a. 60
Blessed are the dead who die in
the Lord

Lucy M | wife of | John Weeks | Died May 24 1855 | In her 43 year

Anna | wife of E R Wheeler | Born Aug 2 1838 | Died Sept 9 1873

Silas Whitaker | Died | Mar 24 1859 Aet 69

Mary | wife of | Silas Whitaker | Died Dec 7 1855 | Aet 61

Olive Whitaker | died | Dec 15 1845 a. 46

Silas Whitaker | died | Nov 28 1861 | Aged 49 yrs

Emily | wife of | Silas Whitaker | Died Feb 21 1866 | aged 43 yrs

Henry F | son of | Silas and Emily | Whitaker | died Jan 28 1854 | Aet 15 months

Here lies buried | son of Mr Ebenezer | White and Mrs Olive | his wife Still-born | March 6 1799
Nipt in the bud
Its gone to rest
God call'd it home
He thought it best

Hon | James White | Died Nov 5 1858 | aged 77 years

Hannah Draper | wife of James White | Born Aug 23 1792 | Died Nov 24 1868
I am the resurrection and the life
saith the Lord: he that believeth in
me though he were dead yet shall he
live: and whosoever liveth and believeth
in me shall never die
St John XI.-25-26

Polly | wife of | James White | died June 28 1820 | aged 35 years

Marshall Ames | son of James and | Polly White died | July 19 1822 a. | 6 yrs

Diana White | daughter of | James and Polly | White | died Dec 20 1838 | in the 31 year of | her age

Josephine White | died | Feb 24 1857 aged 46
That which thou sowest is not quickened except it die.

Fidelia White | died | May 3 1872 | a. 67 yrs

Mary S | wife of | Franklin Whithed | born Jan 12 1826 | died Aug 31 1855

Deborah C | wife of | Franklin Whithed | born May 3 1828 | died May 6 1864
Weep not for me
Tis God that calls me home

Jabez Whiting | died Oct 6 1834 | aged 76 years

Rebecca | Relict of | Jabez Whiting | died | July 1 1842 | a. 80

Ann dau of | Jabez and Rebecca | Whiting died 22 | Feb 1823 a. 17

Abner E Whiting | Died | July 22 1852 | a. 63

Harriet Whiting | died | Aug 18 1870 | aged 73 years

Freeman G. Whitney | Died Sept 22 1862 | a. 14 yrs
Our little brother sleeps.

Clara M | Dau of | W and S A Whitney | Died | May 22 1864 | aged 6 yrs

Emm M | Dau of | Wm and Sarah A | Whitney Died | Jan 31 1848 | a. 2 ys and 7 ms and 19 Ds
Sweet little flower that we did love
She doth now dwell with Christ above
Weep not for me dear parent now
Nor never shall I be forgot

Mr Elijah Willard | departed this life | Sept 10 1779 In | ye 27 year of his age
Beneath these clods of Silent dust
I sleep where all the living must
The gayest youth and fairest face
In time must be in this dark place

In memory of | Miss Emily Williams | Daughter of | John Chester | Williams | Esqre | and Mrs Lois Williams of Hadley | who departed this | Life July ye 13 A D 1789 | in the 17 year of her | age

Jane S | wife of | Samuel Williams | died | Sept 2 1846 | a. 53

Samuel B. Williams | Died | Feb 9 1855 | a. 33

Miss | Sarah Williams | Died | October 21 | 1812 aged 34 | years
Hope wipes the tear from sorrow's eye
and faith points upward to the skies

Samuel M Wood | son of Ezekiel and Almira | Wood | died | Aug 26 1852 | aged 26 years
Look aloft the spirits risen
Death cannot the soul imprison
Tis Tis in Heaven that spirits dwell
Glorious through eternity

John Woodard | died | Apr 5 1839 | a. 78

Sarah | wife of | John Woodard | died May 8 1859 a. 95

Hannah | wife of | Mark Woodard | Died May 15 1871 a. 73

Eunice Brigham | wife of | Samuel D Woodard | Died | June 6 1853 Aged 29 yrs

John Wotton | died | Dec 12 1844 | a. 63

Mrs Betsey | wife of | Mr John Wotton | died 7 | Apr 1831 a. 71

In memory | of Lieut Eliezer Wright | who Died May | 12 1753 | Aged 85 years

Mrs Meraim | Wright Dau | of Lt Eliezer | and Mrs Mary | Wright Died | June 3 1726 | aged 13 years
[The oldest date that can be read in the Cemetery.]

Here lies Buried | Mrs Anne wife of Lieut | Eldad Wright who | Died augst 18 1777 | Aged 33 years
Affliction sore long time i bore
Physicians skill was vain
Till god did send Death as a friend
To ease me of my pain

Here Lies Buried | The Body of Mr | Benony Wright who | Decd Octobr ye 15th | 1767 in ye 65 year | of his Age

Here lies Buried | Mr Azariah Wright | who Died Octbr 17 | 1772 Aged 75 years

Mrs Elisabeth Wright wife | of Mr Azariah Wright Decd oct | 1 1772 aged 77 years
Cum hither Mortals cast an eye
Then go thy way prepare to die
Thy time has cum and die thou must

Col Phinehas Wright | Departed this life | Augst 25th 1795 in the | 86 year of H age
He's gone and left this mortal stage
Though while in life adorn'd his age
He patiently resignd his Breath
And now his body Sleeps in death
His soul is gone we hope and Trust
To bee with Christ among the Just
To see his face forever nigh
And sing his praise Eternally

Here is intered | Seth Son of Mr | Nehemiah and Mrs | Mary Wright who | Decd Nov 8th 1734 | aged 20 days

Here is intered | Seth son of | Mr Nehemiah and | Mrs Mary Wright | who Decd Aug | 20 1746 aged | 2 years 10 months and | 21 Days

Here is Buried | Eunice Dau of | Mr Nehemiah and Mrs | Mary Wright who | died Aug 21 1746 | Aged 10 years 4 mos And 7 days

In memory of | Fabitha Wright | who died Sept | 23 1822 | 38

Eliphaz son of Mr | Horace and Mrs Onda | Wright died August | 19 1805 aged 16 mo
Desirable in life
and lamented in Death

In | memory of | Mr Reuben | Wright who died | 11 sept 1807 | a. 74

Mrs | Hannah | consort of | Mr | Reuben Wright | died 29 Sept | 1807 a. 71

Eliza | Dau of Mr | Reuben and | Mrs Phyla | Wright died | 22 Dec 1808 | a. 2

Eliza | Dau of Mr | Reuben and | Mrs Phyla | Wright died | Sept 3 1805 | a. 2

Reuben Wright | died | Jan 1 1837 | a. 64

Philena | wife of | Reuben Wright | Died | Apr 9 1859 | a. 79

Benj Wright | died Feb 27 1838 | a. 33

Miss Fanny Wright | Grand-daughter of | Mr Reuben Wright | died Octr 29 1805 | In the 20 year of | Her age
Unveil thy bosom faithful tomb
Take this new treasure to thy trust
And give these sacred relics room
To slumber in the silent tomb
No pain no grief no anxious fear
Invade thy bounds no mortal woes
Can reach the peaceful sleeper here
While Angels watch its soft repose

Eldad Wright | Died | Jan 1 1842 | a. 80

Mary | wife of | Eldad Wright | Died | Mar 28 1835 | a. 70

Henry Wright | Died | Sept 20 1848 | a. 59

Hannah White | wife of | Henry Wright | Died April 12 1860 | a. 66 Yrs and 6 mos
Our mother sleeps.

Mary Jane | youngest daughter of | Henry and Hannah | Wright | Died Nov 4 1851 | aged 16 yrs
Thy spirit has passed away from earth
Thou hast left us Sister dear
No more beside our lonely hearth
Thy gentle voice we'll hear

Miss Ann M | Daughter of | Abraham and Relief | Wright | Died May 25 1861 | Aged 38 yrs
Blessed are the dead which die
in the Lord

Edwin Wright | died | July 19 1862 | a. 59

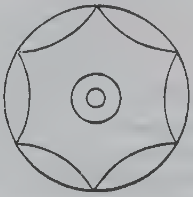
Jason Wright | only son | of | Edwin and Olive | Wright | died | Jan 8 1863 | a. 17 ys | and 8 mo.

Monument
Elizabeth Wright | wife of Phineas Wright | Died July 17 1873 | Aged 73
And she was greatly beloved

Phineas H | Died | Mar 3 1856 | aged 34
Beloved in life lamented in Death

Maria F W | wife of | John Mattoon | Daughter of | Joseph and Sophia | Young | Died July 14 1867 | Aged 42 years
I leave the world and go to the Father
I go to prepare a place for you

Sophia | Dau of | Joseph and Sophia | Young | died March 23 | 1848 | a. 18 yrs and 9 ms.



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